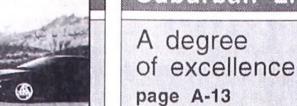
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Explosions anger mayor

County training exercise frightens city residents

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

Explosives that were reportedly used by Wayne County Sheriff's officers during a training session in and around vacant and boarded up homes in Romulus Monday afternoon set off near record seismographic vibrations in the Romulus City Council chambers later that night.

Mayor Beverly McAnally and Councilman William Wadsworth, who also is a Wayne County Deputy Sheriff, in turn blasted the County Sheriff's Department for their reported "total disregard" for Romulus residents, particularly the children.

McAnally said she was almost "speechless" Monday afternoon, when she realized the loud boom noises actually were explosives being set off by sheriff's officers.

In addition, weapons fire also was reported within a mile from local schools,

She charged that the sher-

iff's office had only told Romulus police that they were going to be doing some "training exercises" near some of the county-owned homes in Romulus.

Wadsworth said he knew he might face some departmental action, but blasted the sheriff's officers who think "Romulus is their playground." He said policemen from the west coast were brought to Romulus to witness the training session.

"What gripes me the most," Wadsworth said, "is when I continue to hear about the poor people in Dearborn and Canton, who are plagued by airport noise. And both the mayor and I have planes flying low over our house every day.

"And now we have sheriff's agents blowing up homes in our own city," Wadsworth said.

McAnally said Tuesday morning, "Despite some claims that explosives were not used, we have found one side of a vacant home was blown out."

sworth also called for the city council members to prepare strongly worded resolutions to inform Wayne County officials that Romulus residents won't stand for this kind of abuse.

The revelations of the explosions ironically came only moments after Ben Marks, president of the Michigan Municipal League, stressed the need for keeping the state legislature aware of the power of home rule communitiessuch as Romulus.

Councilman Russell Lambert said, "We should take Marks at his word and demand that Wayne County Sheriff's officers supply us with letters, maps and photos" of the incidents.

'Do we have to stage a sit-in in (Wayne County Executive Edward) McNamara's office to get results," Lambert asked.

"No -- in this case it is Sheriff (Robert) Ficano's office," McAnally interjected.

"If a deer hunter fired a weapon in Romulus, he would Both McAnally and Wad- have been behind bars

already. And yet sheriff's officers can fire their guns in our city. It's a disgrace.

Councilman Noah "Pete" Bergeron introduced a resolution demanding that there never be a repeat of such explosions or weapon firings within the city of Romulus.

Wadsworth pressed for a second resolution demanding that Wayne County expedite the razing of the homes it has purchased recently from local residents in preparation for Metro Airport expansion.

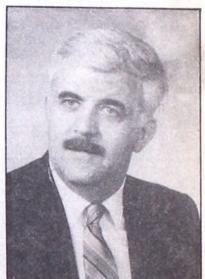
"We have had a 15-year-old Taylor girl raped in one of the 29 boarded up homes last November and a number of fires inside them. In addition young children are ripping off the boards covering the windows of the homes and going inside,'' Wadsworth complained.

"I don't want Romulus ever to be forced to share any of the blame or liability in incidences such as this," he continued.

City Attorney Barry Seifman



Mayor Beverly McAnally



William Wadsworth

was asked Monday night to prepare both council resolutions and present them to McAnally, so that they could be forwarded to the sheriff's department.

In her initial angry comments concerning the explosions, McAnally said she was considering having a restraining order imposed on the County Sheriff's Department Monday, but was told by Romulus 34th District Judge Henry Zaborowski that such an order needed to be obtained from the Circuit

McAnally ordered Police Chief Fred Dansby to tell the sheriff's deputies to cease and desist with the explosives use in Romulus.

"The blasts were loud and frightening," McAnally said, "and the least that should have been done was for the county to inform us so that we in turn could have let the public know ahead of time.'

The mayor continued that she was "deeply offended" by

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Airport directed training explosions

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

A check into the explosions Monday within Romulus city limits revealed that the somewhat secret training session was conducted by the Metro Airport security chiefs rather than the Wayne County Sheriff's office.

Dean Kerber, deputy director for Metro Airport operations, revealed that the explosive detection and deactivation program occurred at several Romulus home sites purchased in the past by Wayne County in preparation

for Metro Airport expansion. While some secrecy enveloped the security training effort, Kerber said, both Police Chief Fred Dansby and Fire Chief William Greenslait were

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Students rewarded

Santa Claus made an early stop at the Merriman Executive Inn in December to reward Cory Elementary School students for their assistance in collecting cans of food for needy families in Romulus. The food was later presented to the Romulus Goodfellows for distribution. The top food collectors were treated to a snack and an 8-foot tall Christmas stocking filled with various toys.

Tax march on Lansing urged

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

Ben Marks, president of the Michigan Municipal League, praised Romulus Mayor Beverly McAnally for attending various political sessions, but urged Romulus City Council members to join her at such

"We have had a tremendous impact in Lansing," Marks said, "but that power would grow even more if additional city elected officials appeared at important legislative hear-

"While I feel that our state legislators are very qualified people, I also know that we know our communities better than they do," Marks stressed.

"It is also time that we make ourselves even better known in Lansing. Let us convince them that we want them to work on our roads and infrastructures and leave local is-

sues to local governments." Marks, who said he was making his 31st stop at a local city governmental meeting throughout the state, warned, are crying out for direction

We are tired of being one of the highest taxed states in the nation.

 Jimmie Raspberry councilman

"One of the most serious issues we are battling for is home rule. It is at serious risk.

We have been told that we have the best league in the nation and I agree," he contin-

Since networking of local towns is critically important, Marks said he plans to visit up to 150 separate city and town governments in coming

"We need to know that if an issue is impacting your town and we call you, that you will show up in Lansing and be heard. They (state legislators)

and I think we can give it to them," Marks said.

Councilman Jimmie Raspberry said, "We should all be as motivated as our mayor. In fact all city officials throughout Michigan should stage a march on Lansing at some future date and demand quick action on tax reform.

"We are tired of being one of the highest taxed states in the nation," Raspberry continued.

Marks concluded, "We have been encouraged by state legislative leaders who have said we belong at the negotiating tables in the state.

'We are making our voice felt on many issues and soon you will find area school districts paying local building fees and other costs to the city," he promised.

The comment brought a huge smile to McAnally's face. She quipped, "How about special assessments?" Her comment referred to the recent construction of the \$4 million athletic complex the school district recently opened at Romulus Senior High School.

the city sewer system? Mayor Beverly McAnally admitted she didn't know Monday night but said the number had been drastically reduced in recent years. Councilman Jimmie Rasp-

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

How many Romulus fami-

lies are illegally tapping into

Illegal sewer taps are sought

berry, however, said he is of the opinion the number is still excessive and the illegal actions are costing the city thousands of dollars.

That issue and others relating to city water and sewer costs will continue to be debated next Monday at 6:30 p.m. at a city council study session prior to the regular meeting. The session is open to the

public. The city has been urged by the state Department of Natural Resources to upgrade the water and sewer ordinance and to hike water and sewer rates to cover annual costs.

Currently the annual costs leave the city budget item in a deficit, which is then covered by a transfer from the general

City Finance Director L. Donovan McGuire presented the members of the city council with three letters from the state DNR, sewer and water rate calculations and a pair of recommended ordinance amendments.

McGuire explained that the DNR has threatened to remove Romulus from possible grant fundings in the future if the city does not take quick action on hiking water and sewer rates to cover annual costs.

When Raspberry complained "a lot of cheating still is going on" in Romulus in regard to illegal sewer hookups, McAnally said a great deal of that so-called cheating has been eliminated in recent

But Raspberry said even if the cheating rate has been cut to less than 10 percent of the current sewer hookups, it is

still costing the city thousands

"While I'm not pointing my finger at anyone in particular, I feel if we as elected officials are paying our fair share - we in effect are subsidizing those who are illegally using the system," Raspberry continued.

Raspberry later said he felt that it is strongly possible that some city employees are among those who are among the illegal tappers.

"We are losing thousands of dollars...its like the city is holding a bucket with a hole in it," he complained.

McAnally said she is concerned that individuals are committing this illegal and criminal action, but said she doesn't know how many such taps have occurred and is not sure how to determine the nu-

McAnally said that if city residents want to send her letters on such illegal actions (even if they are unsigned), she will have them investigated. She said she felt it was not worth another \$60,000 study to find the culprits.

McGuire also was asked what financial reserves the city was creating in case another quick sewer line fix was needed, similar to one planned for Smith Street.

McGuire admitted the city was doing nothing at this time to prepare for such an emergency. "If another such replacement is needed, the city will have to borrow some money," he explained.

Councilman Noah "Pete" Bergeron said, "The city needs to do something, or it will be placing an unfair burden on our children."

McAnally told the council members, "I'm not trying to ramrod something through tonight, but we need to gain additional information prior to next week's study session.

Raspberry said he would like other communities, who have not followed DNR dictates, to be queried prior to the next study session.

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Horoscopes for January 1993

ARIES(March 21-April 19)-There will be business opportunities with travel this month. Romance can be mysterious and exotic. Changes are still happening around home and work. Health will improve. Lucky numbers are 2, 4 and 7.

TAURUS(April 20-May 20)-Messages from out of town look like they will brighten your month. Love comes through friends, groups or associations. Finances are on the upswing. A special friend will need some tender loving care. Lucky numbers are 0, 6 and 8.

GEMINI(May 21-June 20)-Being practical with finances will be to your benefit. Your responsibility in your career will be changing. A long-term relationship should blossom nicely. Lucky numbers are 5, 1 and 7

CANCER(June 21-July 22)-You seem as though you have been living in a dream world for months. January is the month that you will face reality. Travel looks better after the 20th. You're going through a busy time. Lucky numbers are 1, 1 and 3.

LEO(July 23-Aug. 22)-This is a time to listen, rather than to speak. Many of you Leos may find this hard to do. Someone from the past will make the attempt to re-enter your life. This is a creative month with your work. Lucky numbers are 2, 8 and 9.

VIRGO(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)-You will find yourself around many children this month. Don't neglect your responsibilities. Others are starting to realize how dedicated you are. A new love is on the horizon after the 22nd. Lucky numbers are 5, 3 and 7.

LIBRA(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)-This is a month for greater opportunities. A promotion could be in the works and finances will look better. A romantic interest may be discovered at work. You will spend much time on the phone. Lucky numbers are 9, 2 and 5.

SCORPIO(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)-Children will be more affectionate at a time when you need to hear "I love you" more. Family communications in general look better. Changes in work will happen after midmonth. Lucky numbers are 4, 7 and 8.

SAGITTARIUS(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)-A choice will need to be made in relationships. You are eliminating what is old and worn out. You're making future plans regarding business as well. Remember, things happen for a reason. Lucky numbers are 0, 1 and 5.

CAPRICORN(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)-Your dreams are trying to tell you something. Your mind is spinning. Try to pace yourself better. You are priming yourself for a promotion which will take place in the spring. Great! Lucky numbers are 8, 8 and 1

AQUARIUS(Jan. 20-Feb. 18) People from the past are coming back into your life. Family responsibilities may become overwhelming. Your intuition is strong. This is a time to get organized, so do it. Lucky numbers are 4, 5 and 1.

PISCES(Feb. 19-March 20)-A romantic relationship is off to a fine start. Build for the future. This is an excellent month for building business opportunities. Go for it. Do what you didn't do in 1992. Lucky numbers are 4, 1 and 6.

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Stars 'shine' in script for Hoffa

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER Belleville City Editor

Jack Nicholson and Danny De Vito, teaming up as Jimmy Hoffa and his union buddy, make the biography of the controversial Teamster president come to life.

Hoffa has its share of faults, but the acting of its two stars and the inspired direction of De Vito make it a film worth seeing. Particularly intriguing was De Vito's use of subtle flashbacks from Hoffa's later years to his union organizing days and his court battles with U.S. Attorney General Robert Kennedy.

The film is uncomplimentary to Kennedy, who comes off as an immature pipsqueak in his dealings with Hoffa. The court battle emerges as a vendetta against Hoffa, and the Teamster boss comes across as a bigger-than-life character, perhaps a hero.

The film, however, doesn't get much below the surface. At its end, we don't know much more about Jimmy Hoffa than we did before the opening credits. Viewers are left with questions about his motives, his personal life and his char-

Those who remember the days of Hoffa's headlinemaking exploits will be aware of the discepencies in the story particularly, the climax - but most younger viewers will probably be satisfied with the film version.

At any rate, Hoffa remains a mystery 18 years after his disappearance. Perhaps, the film will prompt more investigation into his disappearance and the mystery will finally be solved.

What happened to Jimmy Hoffa? Despite the film, we still don't know.

•Home Alone 2: Lost in New York. As good - almost- as Home Alone. Kids will love the further exploits of Macaulay Caulkin. alias Kevin McCallister.

· A Few Good Men: A cocky Navy lawyer tries to uncover the truth during a murder trial. Tom Cruise, Demi Moore and Jack Nicholson star.

· Bodyguard: A bodyguard, hired to protect a famous singer/actress, romances his client.

 Toys: a whimsical story about a toy maker, starring Robin Williams.

.School Ties tells the story of an outsider who attempts to find acceptance in an elite New England preparatory school in 1955.

· Jennifer 8, the story of a beautiful young blind woman who may be the only link to a serial killer.

· Leap of Faith is a comedy starring Steve Martin as the Rev. Jonas Nightengale, a touring revivalist minister.

· Consenting Adults tells the tale of philandering which turns into first-degree murder.

· Flirting is the story of a vulnerable adolescent in the mid-1960s, a coming-of-age story.

· A River Runs Through It, directed by Robert Redford, is a cronicle of two brothers growing up in Montana.

· Passenger 57, a good-guy, bad-guy film starring Wesley Snipes as an airline security expert who finds himself in a

flight with a terrorist. · Of Mice and Men, a powerful production of the John Stei-

nbeck classic. · Night and the City stars Robert DeNiro as an ambulancechasing attorney. DeNiro fans

won't be disappointed. · Under Seige is not liked by the critics, but audiences - par- souri. ticularly Steven Seagal's fans love the story about Seagall saving nuclear missiles from terrorists aboard the USS Mis-

 Malcolm X, starring Denzel Washington in the title role, is a powerful and positive film about the black leader.

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Trio steals guns from resident

A 64-year-old Romulus man told police on Dec. 30 that three men took his wallet and three long guns from his mobile home at the Royal Village Trailer Park.

The victim said a lone white man came to his trailer early that morning and tried to sell him some rings.

While he was refusing to purchase any of the jewelry, the victim said, two thin black men entered his home.

They roughed him up, he said, knocked him down and then took his wallet containing cash and credit cards. They also took three of his long guns, the victim said.

The total value of the stolen items was listed at \$850, police reported.

The initial intruder was described as a short and stocky white man, about 25 years of age, who was wearing a long tan coat.

The accomplices were described as two thin black men wearing dark clothes. One was listed as about 5-feet, 6-inches tall and the other about 6-feet tall.

Church offers Saturday dinner

The Community United Methodist Church will offer roast beef dinners from 5 to 7 p.m. this Saturday.

The menu will include roast beef, baked beans, potatoes and gravy, fresh salad and homemade desserts. Coffee, tea and milk also will be available.

Cost of the dinner will be \$6 for adults and \$3 for those 5 to 12. Those under 5 will be served free.

The church is located at 11160 Olive St.

Special use request approved

A request by Gadson Trucking Co. for special land use at 35707 Ecorse Road was approved by members of the city council on Monday night.

Owner Walter Gadson was seeking approval of plans to construct an office, garage and outside storage yard at that location.

The plan was recommended for approval by the city planning commission with stipulations that Gadson Trucking and its neighbor (Lewis Excavating) use a common driveway or that the entrance for this site be located on the west side of the

Other recommendations were that the vehicle and outdoor storage area must be screened from view on the street and that a cyclone fence be extended on the right-ofway line to the wall and build-

ing line. It also was stipulated that the parking and storage areas be paved.

Airport query hotline activated

The special hotline for Romulus citizens to phone with questions about Metro Airport expansion for Mayor Beverly McAnally and members of the city council has been reconnected.

The special number (942-7574) was established before Christmas, but was temporarily disrupted by technical problems during the holidays.

But McAnally said it has been re-established and calls have come in. The mayor said she has gotten back to almost all the callers concerning issues discussed during the recent visit by Deputy Wayne County Executive Michael

Duggan. The city is working with Duggan for a return visit to Romulus, where the public will be able to listen to Duggan's report on homeowner options connected with airport noise and expansion.

Romulus airman finishes training

Airman Lawrence L Dixonon of Larry J. Dixon of Romulus, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex.



With additional Northwest Airlines staff cutbacks planned for later this month, administration sources say smaller planes rather than fewer flights are being slated at Metro Airport.

School board members honored

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

It's time to tip your hat or offer a handshake to the individuals serving on school boards throughout the state.

January has been designated as School Board Member Recognition Month, and the board members' contributions to education are being recognized at this time.

Local school boards in Michigan make decisions that impact 1.7 million students in kindergarten through 12th grade with a total education budget of more than \$7 billion.

Gov. John Engler noted, "The competitiveness of Michigan's economy, the character of our society and the richness of our culture depend to a great extent on the quality of instruction offered in Michigan's public schools."

By requiring excellence in the classrooms, school boards play a major role in assuring improvements in student performance.

"As you are aware, serving on a local school board offers little pay, few perks and lots of challenges. School board members hear more complaints and criticism than compliments, yet they play an extremely important role in every community," said James Barrett, president of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Barrett encouraged support for School Board Member Recognition Month throughout the

Serving on the board of the Romulus Community Schools are President Edward Wilkerson, Vice President Pat Patterson, Secretary Howard Kesner and Treasurer Daniel Bales. Trustees for the school district are Debra Hoffman, Mary King and Sandra Langley.

Airport

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informed of the activity before it occurred.

"We conducted a similar training session last year on Willow Run Airport property and no complaints were raised at that time," Kerber said.

That effort also included vacant homes that had been purchased in preparation for airport expansion there, he continued.

"We are surprised at the uproar it caused in Romulus," Kerber said, "and because of the negative feelings it has caused in the city we have canceled the remainder of the three-day training session."

Kerber said the venture caused no threat to Romulus residents, except for the noise it caused.

"There were such low level explosives used," Kerber explained, "that security training personnel were inside the same buildings where the blasts occurred.'

The whole training session was closely monitored by an unnamed federal training source, he said.

"The explosives were not devised to blow up a build-

We conducted a similar training session last year on Willow Run Airport property and no complaints were raised at that time.

"

- Dean Kerber

ing...in fact not even a room," Kerber explained.

"The planning of the activity was so lengthy," he said, "I'm not sure when the local public safety chiefs were notified in Romulus."

When told that Greenslait said he thought he was notified about a month ago, Kerber said, "That is quite possible. I was not the one who did the contacting."

But, Kerber stated, "I know both he and police chief Dansby were informed of our plans. In fact, the police chief was on site Monday."

When contacted earlier on Tuesday, Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano's office denied that the blasts referred to at the Romulus City Council meeting were at a sheriff's department training function.

The county spokesperson

said after checking with various sources, it appeared the session was under the direction of the Metro Airport management. Greenslait said he remem-

bers talking to someone at Metro Airport about a month ago and recalls the caller mentioning a planned activity in the area of vacant boarded up homes. "We talked knocking them down though," he said, "not blowing them up.

Dansby later admitted that he knew of the training plans in advance and witnessed the last blast on Monday afternoon from a "safety zone."

He admitted telling the airport security team on Tuesday that they must cease and desist with the explosions. They complied with the request, Dansby stated.

He refrained from commenting on any actions taken at the city council meeting, "because I was not in attendance."

Kerber said, "The main reason for the ongoing training is to keep our airport's security forces among the best in the nation. It was well contained, well controlled and its aim was strictly to save local lives in case of an emergency.'

Utility aid ban is opposed

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

Members of the Romulus City Council joined Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. in opposing a state senate bill that would stop MichCon from providing services to the homeo-

Raymond Lozano, manager of the company southeastern Michigan Civic and Government Affairs unit, had written to Mayor Beverly McAnally opposition to Michigan Senate bill (SB 1021).

Lozano wrote, "Customers should know that a bill has been introduced in Lansing that would stop utilities from providing any kind of services or products except for emergency service.'

He continued, "MichCon has served local customers for more than 140 years and introduced the first Home Heating Service Plan that allows

urging citizens write letters in 120,000 residential customers to protect themselves each year from unexpected winter repair bills for their heating appliances."

> Approval of such a bill would eliminate such services from a homeowner's normal utility supplier.

It was urged that residents write letters opposing the bill to Sen. William Faust, 205 Farnum Building, Lansing, MI 48913. Faust is a member of the Senate Technology and Energy Committee.

Romulus crafter sought by New York woman

Although the holidays have makes creches. passed, a New York woman has not stopped looking for a

(USPS 470-400)

Anne D. Ryerson of New-

assistance in locating the

Several years ago Ryerson name of the city.

Individuals who have infor-

100 Northwest area jobs lost

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

Approximately 100 Northwest Airlines workers at Metro Airport will be forced to release their employment seatbelts on Jan. 18, as the cash- strapped airline cuts another 1,000 workers nationwide.

While the local jobs elimination number remained fluid early this week, Northwest officials said the local job loss would be "substantial because of the size of operations here.'

More than 70 percent of air passengers at Metro Airport currently are handled by Northwest Airlines.

Nationwide, the job elimination ratio is slated as follows: 780 flight attendants, 140 part-time ground service workers, 88 reservation sales agents and 35 full time ground service staff members.

Northwest currently employs about 46,000 workers nationwide. About 2,100 were laid off last year.

Despite the "aggressive

action" taken by Northwest management because of "adverse economic conditions and the brutal economic environment of the U.S. airline industry," Northwest plans no flight cutbacks but will reduce the size of some planes, according to a spokesman.

Teamsters officials reported they would be meeting with Northwest management this week.

Only last month, Northwest in another cost cutting move canceled orders with Airbus for 74 airplanes worth \$3.5 billion and delayed delivery of 44 Boeing jets worth another \$2.7 billion.

Teamsters President Ron Carey charged the carrier's owners "must be held accountable for the mess they have created.'

He also demanded that the debt-laden company be "restructured to give employees the checks and balances they need to protect their investment in the company and to make sure that the mistakes of the past are not repeated."

"Officer Wojcik tried to stop

the suspect by turning on his

lights, but the suspect failed to

stop," Colligan said. "He con-

tinued south on Wayne Road."

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plex, got out of his vehicle and

ran on foot into the wooded

area behind the apartment

complex, according to police

his pursuit on foot, and he was

able to apprehend the suspect

"Officer Wojcik continued

Harris drove into the park-

Bank robbery trial due soon

By MARGO DEWEY ANP Feature Editor

A trial is expected to be scheduled this month in Federal Court for a 24-year-old Romulus man who allegedly took an unknown amount of money from the National Bank of Detroit (NBD) in Wayne located near Michigan Avenue and Wayne Road.

Wayne police arrested Antoine Shawn Harris Aug. 6, 1992 after he allegedly handed a threatening note to a teller demanding she give him all the cash she had. He was unarmed, according to Wayne Police Chief John Colligan.

'We were called to the scene about 10:45 p.m. Aug. 6," Colligan said. "The suspect was last seen driving a gray Mercury Cougar. He was heading west on Michigan Avenue toward Wayne."

Wayne police officer Brian Wojcik pursued the suspect after identifying him from the description provided by the in the wooded area," Colligan said. Harris was returned to NBD where he was identified. Dur-

accounts of the incident.

ing the interrogation by Sgt. Michael Sumeracki, the suspect admitted to the robbery, Colligan said. Wayne police officials

called the Federal Rureau of Investigation officials who then took the suspect into cus-

Harris was arraigned in Federal Court in August, according to FBI officials.

Industrial district wins council OK

By AL POST

ANP Staff Writer

A request by Detroit-based Air Conditioning Products Co. to create a new industrial development district in Romulus was approved by the members of city council on Monday night.

Christopher Mebus, company spokesman, appeared at the council meeting and stated that Air Conditioning Products Co. plans to add 28,000 square feet to the building located at 30350 Ecorse Road.

The current building on 5.52 acres at that site houses more than 40 employees, he said. It is located on Ecorse Road at the Brandt Road intersection.

With the expansion, the firm hopes to hire up to 50 new workers, Mebus said.

Mayor Beverly McAnally asked Mebus to attempt to hire some of the recently 60 or more laid off Romulus workers from the former Micro Mea-

surements facility. Air Conditioning Products Co. opened in 1945 as a manufacturer of sheet metal control shutters, louvers and dampers for commercial air moving, air conditioning and exhaust systems.

While the main office of the firm is in Detroit, it purchased the Romulus area building and property in 1985. Two years later it added another 80,000 square feet of space to the building.

The company has since added aluminum and fiberglass lines to the product

The latest addition is expected to cost more than \$500,000 with another \$100,000 worth of machinery and equipment to be added, Mebus said.

The construction is expected to begin this spring and be completed this fall, Mebus stated.

" Even trees and

bushes are being dug up and trucked away.

- William Wadsworth

are killed before we get

quicker action on demolishing

McAnally said the city and county set up a priority list for the demolition of the boarded up homes just before the end of the year. But those demolitions need to be worked through the normal city demolition regulations, she

explained.

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burgh, N.Y., wrote to the Ro-Romulus area crafter who mulus Roman asking for

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craftsman who makes natural wood creches.

purchased a Christmas stable from a craft shop in her home town. It was constructed of natural, small tree limbs about one-half to one inch in diameter. She said the only identifying marks on the creche were the initials "R.E.M." and the

mation about the Romulus crafter may contact the Romulus Roman at 729-4000 during regular business hours.

Explosion Continued from page A-1

actions and vowed "it will not happen again." Wadsworth complained also

the sheriff's department's

that out-of-towners were coming to Romulus regularly to strip the boarded up homes of both interior and exterior elements. "Even trees and bushes are being dug up and trucked away," he charged.

Wadsworth then asked, "Do we have to wait until one or more of the kids, who are climbing in the rear windows of these boarded up homes,

State program benefits Wayne

By MARGO DEWEY ANP Feature Editor

The City of Wayne local street fund will be a bit healthier in 1993 due to a transportation strategy for the rebuilding of the state recently signed into law by Gov. John Engler.

Wayne will be receiving approximately \$71,083 for roadway improvements in 1993, thanks in part to the Build Michigan program, according to Ed Rothfelder, assistant finance director.

"These are supplemental funds authorized for the next three years," Rothfelder said. "We received our first payment of \$5,762. The amount of money that we receive will go up next fiscal year as mandated by law. The third year amounts have not been determined yet."

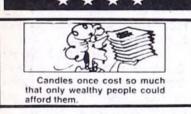
The Build Michigan program is geared to strengthen the state infrastructure and at the same time support thousands of jobs, according to the governor's letter to the city.

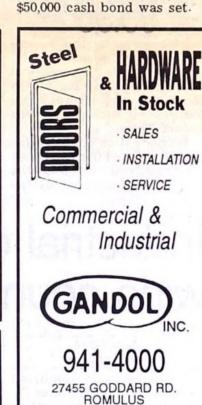
"A cornerstone of Build Michigan is the creation of the Local Program fund," Engler said. "The Local Program fund will funnel an additional \$65 million for vital roadway improvements to cities and counties in the current fiscal year.

"This will increase to \$78 million in 1993-94 and 1994-95." From these amounts, \$45 million is a direct grant from the State Truckline fund, and made possible because of savings and efficiencies achieved by the Michigan Department of Transportation, according to

Engler. The balance of these new funds will come from a shift in the collection point of motor vehicle fuels taxes to the supplier level," Engler said.







2 area men

in robbery

Recorder's Court.

before Roberson.

police Lt. Mel Drews.

Beverly."

Drews.

face charges

By MARGO DEWEY

ANP Feature Editor

sentencing have been sched-

uled for two Romulus men on

armed robbery charges in

Detroit Wayne County

expected to be sentenced

March 10 before Judge Dalton

Roberson. A Jan. 8 calendar

conference has been sched-

uled for Jeffrey Sucharski, 22,

allegedly robbed the Dairy

Mart on Wayne Road 12:25 p.m.

Dec. 5, according to Wayne

officer Dan Sanford after he

was given a description of a

vehicle traveling near Van

Born and Wayne," Drews said.

"The suspects was stopped at

demanded cash from the cash-

ier at Dairy Mart, and a gun

was implied, according to

Bisson and Sucharski were

arraigned Dec. 6 in an out

county court. A \$25,000 cash

bond was set for Bisson, and a

The two suspects allegedly

"The arrests were made by

Bisson and Sucharski

Shane Bisson, 19, is

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Wayne Chamber of Commerce Director Donna McEachern presents \$500 to Connie Haggard, the winner of the "Christmas of All Ages" downtown Wayne promotion. Participants had to visit all 33 business establishments and pick up the appropriate stickers needed to fill out a puzzle. All completed puzzles were then turned into the Chamber office for a grand drawing. ANP photo by Larry DiVizio

CITY OF ROMULUS APPENDIX A - ZONING **AMENDMENT 1.125**

An Ordinance to Amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by Rezoning 2.60 Acre Parcel of the Property Located on Van Born Road, West of Inkster Road from C-2 (General Business) to M-1 (Light Indus-

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

Section 1.SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Amended Zoning Ordinance.

Section 2. The Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus is hereby amended to rezone the following from C-2 (General Business) to M-1 (Light Industrial):

A part of the NE of Section 1, T.35, R.9E, City of Romulus, Wayne County Michigan, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING S89DEG 51M 30S W 799.87 FT FROM THE NE COR SEC 1 TH S0DEG 14M 30S W 565.24 FT TH S89DEG 51M 30S W 200 FT TH N0DEG 14M 30S E 565.24 FT TH N89DEG 51M 30S E 200 FT TO POB. 2.60 AC

Section 3. Except as herein modified the said zoning map shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED: Should any section, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared by the Court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid. Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication in the official newspaper of general circu-

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Romulus City Council at its regular meeting held on the 7th, day of December, 1992.

> Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

ATTEST:

Beverly McAnally, Mayor INTRODUCED: December 7, 1992 ADOPTED: December 14, 1992 PUBLISHED: January 7, 1993

CITY OF ROMULUS

CHAPTER 37

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 37-21(8) OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS, CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO UTILIZE THE FUNDS **ACCUMULATED IN THE WATER AND SEWER** LOAN REPAYMENT & RESERVE -**ESCROW ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS: The City of Romulus, on the 7th day of July, 1977, provided for a Water and Sewer Loan Repayment Escrow Account, intended to accumulate funds for the payment of necessary expenses intended to reduce indebtedness of the Water and Sewer Department to the General Fund of the City of Romulus; and

WHEREAS: The City Council of the City of Romulus, specifically provided when establishing the aforementioned account, the funds accruing to these accounts may not be expended, transferred or otherwise distributed except by ordinance duly adopted by the City Council;

WHEREAS: Actual funding began approximately December, 1977, and there is an accumulated balance, as of this date, including interest of \$246,727.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: By the City Council of the City of Romulus that it does herewith introduce an ordinance as required by Chapter 37, Article II, Section 37-21(8).

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS ACCUMULATED IN THE

WATER AND SEWER LOAN REPAYMENT ESCROW ACCOUNT. THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SHORT TITLE: Appropriation of Escrowed Water and Sewer Funds

Section 1: Effective upon publication of this Ordinance in the official newspaper of the City of Romulus, \$246,727.00 presently deposited in the Water and Sewer Loan Repayment and Reserve Escrow Accounts shall be and the same is hereby appropriated for utilization in the payment for the purpose of replacement of the Smith Road Water Line.

SECTION 2: If a section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance as an entirety. It being the legislative intent this Ordinance is standing and withstanding the invalidity.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation or as otherwise provided by the City Charter of the City of Romulus.

Linda R. Choate, CMC Clerk, City of Romulus, Michigan

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ATTEST:

Beverly McAnally, Mayor

Within Forty five (45) days after publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than Six (6%) percent of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said Ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

INTRODUCED: December 7, 1992 ADOPTED: December 14, 1992 PUBLISHED: January 7, 1993

CITY OF ROMULUS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD DECEMBER 14, 1992 IN THE ROMULUS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mary Ann Banks, Mayor Pro Tem

Present: Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: None Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Beverly McAnally, Mayor Linda R. Choate, Clerk

James Napiorkowski, Treasurer

Motion by Bergeron, supported by Wadsworth to accept the agenda as amended*.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth.

Nayes - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

92-512

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Bergeron to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on December 7, 1992. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

92-513

3A. Motion by Bergeron, supported by Pennington to grant a type "A" Arcade license for the Howard Johnson Hotel, 8600 Merriman, contingent upon the favorable recommendations from all city departments. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Wadsworth. Nayes - Raspberry. Motion Carried.

3B. No action taken.

5A. Motion by Bergeron, supported by Gear to concur with the recommendation of Mayor Beverly McAnally and approve the Mayor's Consent Agenda 5A1 through 5A2 as follows:

5A1. To award Bid 92-29 for computer acquisitions to the lowest qualified bidder, Quality Computer Systems, Inc. in the amount of

92-515 5A2. To award Bid 92-34 for gasoline and diesel fuel to the lowest qualified bidder, Chapp & Bushey Oil Company at a \$.09 gallon premium over the price as reflected in the Sun Easylink for NL Gasoline and #2 Diesel Fuel and an additional \$.02 gallon premium for Winter Blend #2

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5B. Motion by Raspberry, supported by Gear to concur with the recommendation of City Clerk, Linda Choate and award Bid 92-36 for Official Publications to the lowest bidder, Associated Newspapers at a cost of \$4.26 per column inch.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

92-517

5C. Motion by Bergeron, supported by Pennington to concur with the request of Michigan Consolidated Gas Company and oppose Senate Bill 1021, a bill that would prohibit utilities from providing any kind of services or products except for emergency service. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pen-

nington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Bergeron, supported by Wadsworth to approve the Mayor's

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A1. Motion by Gear, supported by Pennington to approve the second reading and final adoption of Chapter 37, Section 37.21(8), an ordinance to provide for the utilization of funds accumulated in the Water and Sewer Loan Repayment and Reserve Escrow Account, introduced at the regular Council meeting of December 7, 1992. A copy in its entirety is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth, Naves - None, Motion Carried Unanimously.

92-519

6A2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Gear to approve the second reading and final adoption of Appendix A, Zoning Amendment 1.115, an ordinance to rezone a 2.60 acre parcel of property located on Van Born Road, west of Inkster Road from C-2 (General Business) to M-1 (Light Industrial) introduced at the regular Council meeting of December 7, 1992. A copy in its entirety is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

92-520

6B1.Motion by Pennington, supported by Bergeron to concur with the recommendation of the Treasurer James Napiorkowski and extend the payment of 1992 Summer and Winter taxes without late penalty charges and collection fees from February 15, 1993 to March 1, 1993 for all qualified citizens who filed an application for Deferment of Taxes for the 1992 tax year, and who qualified as defined in Chapter 9 of Act 281, P.A. 1967, being Sections 206.501 to 206.532 of the Michigan Compiled

92-521

11. Motion by Bergeron, supported by Wadsworth to approve payment of Warrant #92-22 in the total amount of Four Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Eighty Seven Cents (\$413,213.87).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Bergeron to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Banks, Bergeron, Gear, Lambert, Pennington, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nayes - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held December 14, 1992. Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

City of Romulus, Michigan

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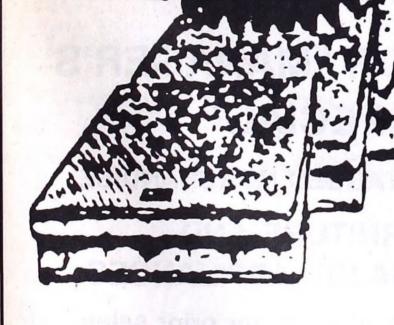
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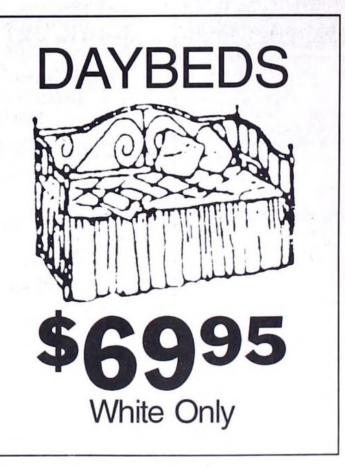




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OBITUARIES I

Shingler, Richard

Richard Leroy Shingler, 57, formerly of Romulus, died Nov. 24, 1992 at St. Mary Desert Valley Hospital in Apple Valley, Cal.

He was an honorably discharged U.S. Marine Corps veteran (serving from 1953 to 1956) and was owner and operator of Dick's Masonry company in Apple Valley.

Survivors include three sons, Joseph Sixbey of Livonia, Richard L. Shingler of Garden Grove, Cal. and Dennis C. Shingler of Apple Valley; four daughters, Deborah and Caren Shingler, both of Apple Valley, Pamela Roman of Rohner Park, Cal. and Denise Shingler of Pine Valley, Cal.; three sisters, Nancy Schonscheck of Romulus, Beverly Sparks of Columbia, Tenn. and Mary Lou Pierce of Joshua Tree, Cal., and nine grandchildren.

The funeral was at the Dudley Apple Valley Mortuary in California with the Veterans of Foreign Wars officiating. Interment was in Riverside National Cemetery of Riverside, Cal. Local arrangements were handled by the Crane Funeral Home.

Kolarov, Milton

Milton S. Kolarov, 76, of Wayne, died Dec. 29, 1992 following a heart attack at the University of Michigan Hospitals in Ann Arbor.

A retired second vice president at Manufactuers National Bank of Detroit, he also was a former Post Commander of American Legion Post 111. At the time of his death he was Post Adjutant.

During World War II he served as a Russian language interpreter for the U.S. Army and remained in Berlin, Germany, until 1947 where he worked in the relocation effort for displaced persons.

A lifelong member of the Republican Party, he also served as a member of the Wayne Zoning Board of Appeals.

He was a member of St.
John's Episcopal Church in
Wayne since 1932, and served
as a Vestry member and lay
reader. He also was a board
member of St. Christopher's
House in Detroit and was a
committee member of St.
Paul's Cathedral in Detroit.

Survivors include his wife, Alice J.; three daughters, Ruth Kolarov Macy, Margaret (Cys) Kolarov and Mary Kolarov Coffey; a brother, Bernard, and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at St.
John's Episcopal Church with
Father Raymond Zips
officiating. The American
Legion earlier performed a
memorial service at the Uht
Funeral Home. Interment was
in Glenwood Cemetery.

The family suggests that memorials be sent to St. John's Episcopal Church.

Ostyn, Richard

Richard D. Ostyn, 44, of Canton Township, died Dec. 23, 1992.

Survivors include two daughters, Jennifer and Sydney; three sisters, Jeanette Van Houten, Yvonne Williams and Rene, and four brothers, Henry, Ray, Joe and George.

The funeral was at St.
Mary's Catholic Church with
Father Ray Bucon officiating.
Interment was in Cadillac
Memorial Gardens West.
Arrangements were
completed by the Uht
Funeral Home.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society.

Marsheck, June

June E. Marsheck, 79, of Belleville, died Dec. 20, 1992. Arrangements were completed by the David C. Brown Funeral Home.

Marks, Barbara

Barbara Marks, 64, of Romulus, died Dec. 13, 1992 at Grace Hospital.

Survivors include five children, Earnest Wilson, Frederick Wilson, Wendell Wilson, Angela Marks and Kimberly Marks; 17 grandchildren, four greatgrandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at the Penn Funeral Home with the Rev. B. Daniels officiating. Interment was in United Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Carr, Lilamae

Lilamae Carr, 67, of Inkster, died Dec. 24, 1992.

Survivors include a son, Lee Henry Carr; two daughters, Quma Lee Aigner and Dawn May Tibbits; a sister, Winifred Jett; a brother, Dave Perfect, and five grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Everett Lee. The funeral was at the Uht Funeral Home with Ancel J.

Funeral Home with Ancel J Parks officiating. Interment was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

Malosh, John

John A. (Jack) Malosh, 79, of Wayne, died Dec. 30, 1992. Survivors include his wife, Nadean; two sons, James and Hugh; a daughter, Linda; two sisters, Elizabeth

Hugh; a daughter, Linda; t sisters, Elizabeth Charbonneau and Susan Mills, and eight grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 8 p.m. Jan. 13, 1993 at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. Cremation burial will take place at Glenwood Cemetery following the service.

Masters, David

David Masters, 42, of Westland, died Dec. 25, 1992. Survivors include his wife, Carolyn; his parents, Donald and Delores Masters; two daughters, Tina Crain and Lori Crum; a sister, Donna Berg; two brothers, Daniel and Donald, and a grandchild.

The funeral was at the Uht Funeral Home with Bill Sversole officiating.

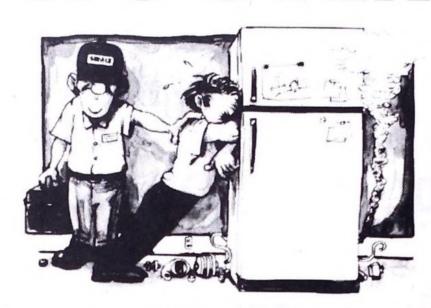
Interment was in Glenwood Cemetery.

Fulmer, Robert

Robert Fulmer, 65, of Ypsilanti, died Dec. 27, 1992. Survivors include two sisters, Lenore Wilson and Anna Deport and three brothers, Edward, Norman and John.

The funeral was at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Noe officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park.

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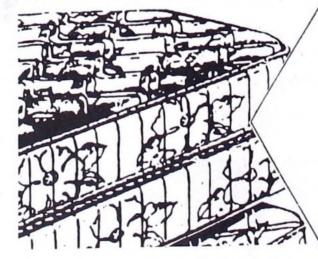
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Piedfort, Robert

Pascual Robert Piedfort. 72, a lifelong resident of Wayne, died Dec. 29, 1992 at Scottsdale Memorial Hospital North of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Survivors include his wife. Lois; two sons, Dale and Brian; a daughter, Linda Downs, and three sisters, Betty Georget of Wayne, Marjorie Phelps of Roscommon and Ethel Smith of Florida.

Arrangements were completed by the Messinger Mortuary and Chapel of Scottsdale. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be sent to the Diabetes Association.

Windiate, Earl

Earl Windiate, 73, of Dearborn Heights, died Dec. 29, 1992.

Survivors include four sisters, Arthella Gorte, Virginia Gabbert, Shirley Cox and Audrey McPhee, and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the Parkinson's Disease Association.

Hudson, Albert

The Rev. Albert Hudson, 64, pastor of the Gospel Baptist Church of Willow, died Dec. 23, 1992 at his home in Belleville.

He was a member of the Disabled Veterans of America since 1988.

Survivors include his wife. Shirley (Cobb) Hudson; three sons, Frank (Barbara) Hudson of Cleveland, Howard Hudson of Mansville, Ohio and Allen (Tarra) Hudson of River Rouge; two daughters, Debra

Fleming and Billie Jean Jaggers, both of Belleville; a brother, Ralph Hudson of Ohio; two sisters, Linda Chandler and Mary Louise Slayback, both of Indiana; nine grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

The funeral was at the David C. Brown Funeral Home with Dr. Henry Parish, the Rev. Edward Crider and the Rev. Harold Clark officiating. Interment was in Fort Custer National Cemetery of Agusta, Mich.

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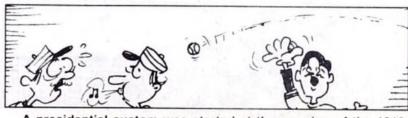
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Friends criticize police in search for man

By PATRICIA BROWN ANP News Editor

Friends and family members of Jeffrey Elkins are not happy with the response they are receiving from investigators at the Ingham County Sheriff's Department where Elkins was last seen.

Elkins has been missing since Dec. 23 when he left his uncle's home in Dansville, Mich. on his way to Westland. The former Westland resident had been living with his uncle in Dansville, according to friends and family.

Investigators from the Ingham County Sheriff's Department have refused to release information regarding leads they have received since Elkins has been missing, according to Tammie Stubbs, Elkins' aunt

"A lot of the information we have, we heard it on the news," Stubbs said. "It's hard to deal with it."

A group, known as Friends of Jeff, has also been cautioned by investigators to not interfere in the investigation, according to Steve Schoonover, one of the organizers of the group.

The group is responsible for the distribution of more than 50,000 fliers with the a description of Elkins and his car.

Schoonover is also frustrated with the information they have been receiving from the Ingham County Sheriff's Department.

"I understand that we aren't family, but from what I have been told the family isn't being told anything either," Schoo-nover said. "We were told by the sheriff's department to mind our own business.

"They said we could pass out fliers, but we weren't to become involved in the investigation," Schoonover said.

Friends and family have searched the state from Ingham County to the Indiana and Ohio borders, Schoonover

Monday morning, Ingham County Sheriff's Department Investigator Dennis Shackelford provided little information about the Elkins' investigation.

"There are no new developments as of yet," Schackleford said. "Sure there have been sightings, but people also claim to have spotted Elvis too. That doesn't mean anything Shackleford said. "But unless we see a picture of him holding an edition of a newspaper with the date, there is no way of telling if it is really him."

Social Security numbers necessary

John Hummel, district director of the Internal Revenue Service has a word of caution for all taxpayers.

"I want to remind Michigan taxpayers that this year they must provide a Social Security number on the federal income tax return for any dependent age 1 and over," Hummel said.

"Taxpayers should be aware that they may be fined \$50 for each Social Security number not shown on the return and, in some cases, the exemption may be disallowed," Hummel said.

The 1986 tax reform act required Social Security numbers for dependents age 5 and over. In 1989, the requirements changed to age 2 and over. Beginning with the 1991 tax year, the age limit dropped to 1. "I would encourage taxpayers to apply for a number for all their dependents,"

Hummel said. To be issued a Social Security number, an individual must have proof of age, U.S. citizenship or legal alien sta-

tus and identity. "A birth record from a public authority, hospital or religious organization is generally sufficient for the first two items," Pummel said. "A school record or certain other documents can be used for

proof of identity.' For more information, taxpayers can contact the Social Security Administration toll free on 1-800-772-1213, or visit any Social Security Office.

We have received very little help from the Ingham County Sheriff's Department.

Steve Schoonover

Shackleford couldn't state how many tips were received as of Monday morning. "I can say it was more than one," he added.

Schoonover and two other friends involved in the search for Elkins were asked to appear at the Ingham County Sheriff's Department to meet with one of the investigators, Schoonover said.

"When we got there, we found out that (the investigator) was a no show," Schoonover said.

"We have received very little help from the Ingham County Sheriff's Department,' Schoonover said.

Schoonover believes there are a lot of tips pouring in at the Ingham County Sheriff's Department each day.

"I was told by a desk sergeant that they were receiving somewhere between 25 and 50 calls a day about Jeff," Schoonover said. "I don't know. Maybe they just think a missing person isn't a big deal or top priority in Dansville."

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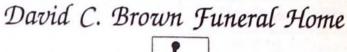
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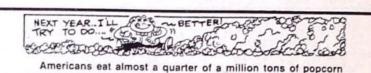


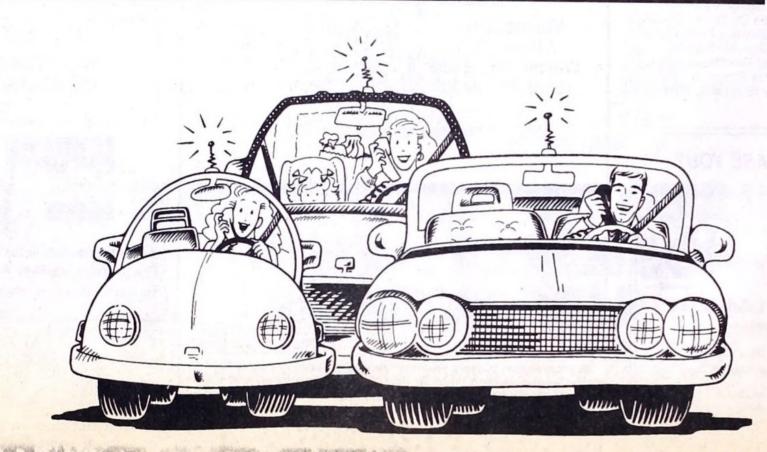
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What were you doing New Years Day? Many local residents spent at least a portion of the traditional celebration at their jobs providing service which isn't interrupted no matter what the holiday. Police officers, emergency medical personnel, hospital workers and many others continue to work through the holiday celebrations. Here are but a few local residents on the job while others welcomed in the new year.



In Belleville, Meijer Thrifty Acres cashier Brenda Thornberry welcomed in the new year at her cash register



Photos by Ken Garner

In Canton Township, Police Lt. Bill Lenaghan and dispatcher Lex Williams were on the job as were police in every community.



Charlie Swartzbough was on duty in at Metro Airport in Romulus ensuring that holiday travelers baggage got on and off the correct planes.



Dawn Donuts waitress Christie Dahl worked through most of the new year celebrations at the Westland store.

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Kiddie Karaoke

Youngsters strike up the tunes and sing along

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER Belleville City Editor

Kids take to karaoke like ducks to water.

When the music starts to play and the lyrics of the tunes flash on the big screens, youngsters grab the microphones and belt out everything from Farmer in the Dell to Madonna's Material Girl.

"Kiddie karaoke is the biggest thing going," said Dave Holloway of Westland-based Cadillac Karaoke. "It's on an upsweep in this area. Karaoke for kids is being featured at restaurants during the dinner hours, pizza places and parties."

More than 2,000 songs are available for the karaoke singers, Holloway said. All the youngsters have to do is watch the words on the television screen in front of them and belt out the lyrics as the song plays.

"If the kids need a little help reading the words, I take a mike and sing along with them. The little ones know the choruses of the songs, but many of them can't read the words of the verses," Holloway said.

Just before Christmas, Holloway brought his karaoke equipment to the Moose Lodge in Belleville for a preview performance.

"The kids love it. Just like the adults, it takes them awhile to get into it. Then, when they see the other kids doing songs, they all want to get in on the fun," Holloway said. "Around the holidays, Jingle Bells was the biggest request. Next, was Jingle Bell Rock, Frosty, the Snowman and Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reinder"

Holloway recalled that there were so many requests to do Jingle Bells that he grouped all of the youngsters who wanted to sing it into a choir.

"If I hadn't done that, the parents would have gone nuts hearing Jingle Bells a dozen times," Holloway said.

Tiffany Gibson and Janee Jensen, both 8, performed for the first time at the karaoke and returned to the mike several times after their initial debut. Nine-year-old Renee Wisniewski admitted to being a veteran karaoke performer and said she has a lot of fun singing along with the music Nicole and Holly Russow of Huron Township took several turns at the karaoke while their little brother, Ryan, 3, gazed wistfully at his sisters on center stage.

David Holloway, 11, of Westland sang My Girl and Leroy Brown and signed up to sing more of his favorite karaoke tunes



Renee Wisniewski, 9, a veteran karaoke performer, sings a favorite tune.



While his sisters sing, Ryan Russow, 3, dreams of his turn to

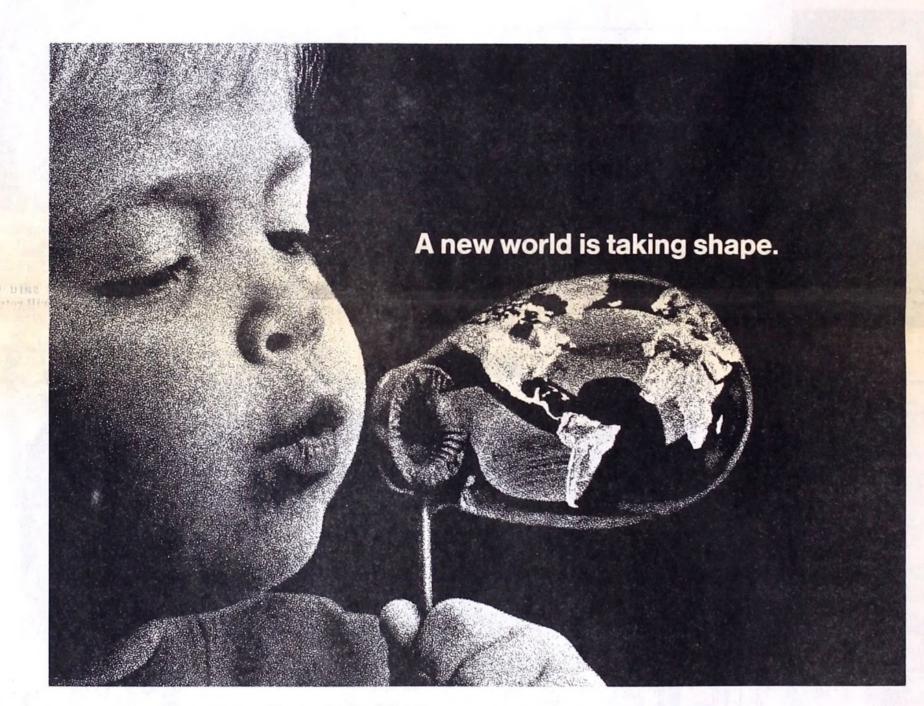


(Above) Several sing-along fans join David Holloway in a song. (Right) Sisters Holly and Nicole Russow of Huron Township sing a karaoke duet. ANP photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner





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Sports

Romulus rebounds to win own holiday cage title

By TOM MOORADIAN ANP Staff Writer

After a frustrating loss to Bishop Borgess that snapped their modest winning streak at two, Romulus cagers rebounded and won their own holiday invitational tournament title.

However, the Eagles closed out the 1992 phase of the season with a heartbreaking 51-50 loss at the hands of Ferndale. It was a game that Romulus coach Chris Molloy felt should have been placed in the Eagles' win column.

"We were sloppy and didn't execute the way we know how," said Molloy. "It's a disappointing loss because it was a game I felt we should have won."

Romulus was back on the home floor Tuesday night against a so-so New Boston Huron club. However, they will meet Adrian on Friday, a former South Central Conference opponent, they beat in the season opener.

The Eagles began the new year with a respectable 4-2 re-

Romulus took the wrath of losing their first game of the season out on tournament opponents Dearborn Heights Annapolis and Lincoln Park. They buried both teams by more than 30 points.

Behind a balanced scoring attack, Romulus rolled over Lincoln Park 79-43 in the championship game. The Railsplitters managed to stay with their hosts for one period,

We were sloppy and didn't execute the way we know how. It's a disappointing loss because it was a game I felt we should have won.

 Chris Molloy coach

trailing 16-8, when Daniel Winston opened up from long range and hit on three treys. That lifted the Eagles to a 22-13 second period and a 38-21 halftime advantage.

Lincoln Park was out of the running after Romulus erupted to a 24-10 third period,

giving Molloy a chance to use everyone on the bench.

Winston finished with a game-high 16 points and teammate Rodney Smith added 13. The Eagles controlled the boards thanks to the efforts of Yancy Yharborough, who snatched 11 to lead the team.

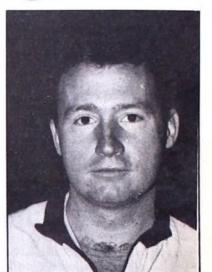
Lincoln Park qualified for the championship round by beating Plymouth Christian in the first round, 53-40.

The Romulus defense held Annapolis to one point in the first eight minutes of the preliminary game and went on to rout the Cougars 75-42. The Eagles commanded an insurmountable 41-10 lead at the intermission.

each scored 17 points to share individual scoring honors. Rog Williams, who sank 14 points and counted 10 rebounds, and Keith Parks who had 13 points, also were in double figures.

Tyzeed Boles and Winston

Bishop Borgess handed the Eagles their first loss of the campaign, 65-60, and Ferndale



Chris Molloy

managed to jolt Molloy charges, 51-50.

Wheatley takes step towards greatness

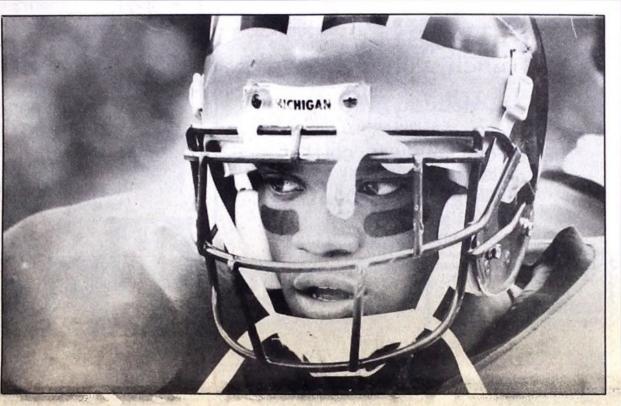
By TOM MOORADIAN ANP Staff Writer

In his final interview as a high school football player, Tyrone Wheatley said he would like to be remembered as a "phenomenal" player.

Wheatley, the former Robichaud High All American, who led the University of Michigan to a thrilling 38-31 victory over Washington in the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day has taken a giant step toward

"He was phenomenal," said Wheatley's former coach, Bob Yauck. "His performance was outstanding. And tell him that we are all proud of his accomplishment and will continue to root for him.'

What the 6-1, 225-pound Wolverine running back accomplished against Michigan's usual Rose Bowl emesis was unprecedented. He rushed for a phenomenal 235 yards which included a record-smashing 88-yard touchdown run. He also scored on dashes of 56 and 24 yards. He kept the Wolverines alive in their dark-



Tyrone Wheatley (above), former Robichaud football great, took a giant step toward greatness on Jan. 1 when he shattered Rose Bowl records, scored three TDs to lead Michigan to a 38-31 victory over its Rose Bowl nemesis, Washington. ANP Special Photo

est moments by coming through with what coaches call "the big play"

All of this after he sustained a first-quarter injury that triggered back spasms. Those spasms forced him to the sideline and on his back for most of fourth quarter.

All of this - three TDs and 235-yards- would you be-

lieve on only 15 carries? Was there any doubt in anyone's mind as the Battle for the Roses unfolded that if the Wolverines won, Tyrone Wheatley would be the unanimous choice for Most Valuable Player of the Rose

Is there any doubt that if Tyrone Wheatley stays healthy, he could become one of the greatest football players in U-M history? He is on the threshold of being that and he's just a sopho-

Sitting in that crowd of 100,000-plus fans were two special fans who made the trip to Pasadena. Wheatley's former teachers at Robichaud - Jennifer Foster and Millie Hursin were sitting in the bleachers taking it all in with pride.

And, of course, they became very concerned when Wheatley sustained the injury. Apparently in the first quarter, Tyrone was tackled high, taking a hit in the neck from a opponent's helmet.

He told the teachers after the game that he would be all right. He also assured them that he planned to stay in school. And that he had no intentions of turning pro, not at this time, anyway.

"I don't see him going for the draft (NFL draft)," says

"I will tell you this," Yauck continued, "I was very proud at the way he handled himself with the media during the post-game interviews."

Belleville cagers have holiday blues

By TOM MOORADIAN ANP Staff Writer

State-ranked Benton Harbor spoiled the holidays for Belleville basketball coach Michael Garland and the Ti-

Outscoring their visitors 21-9 in the fourth period, Benton Harbor dealt Belleville a shocking 86-59 setback in the first-round of the Benton Harbor Holiday Tournament. It was the worst loss in recent memory for the Tigers, who went into the tournament with a 2-1 record.

"We started out flat and we ended flat," said Garland whose Tigers will return to the hardwood Friday night at home against Lincoln Park. "We weren't scrapping around like we had in the first three

"This was a disappointing oss because I felt we could have played a much better game than we did."

Benton Harbor jumped out in front and never looked back. The hosts were ahead 46-35 at the half, despite attempts by Jauron Currie and Garland Johnson of Belleville to keep it close.

Johnson pumped in 13 points and Currie added 11. They were the only two Tiger cagers to hit in double figures.

In the consolation round, the Tigers allowed Detroit Denby slip from its paws, 70-65.

A close game right to the final whistle, Belleville took a 64-62 lead thanks to Ralph Truitt's layup. However, the Detroiters answered with a three-pointer and Alan

Granger came back with a basket after a Tiger turnover to seal the victory.

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Denby took a 16-12 firstperiod lead, but the Tigers, with the help of balanced scoring, came back and cut it to 36-34 at intermission. The Detroiters outscored Belleville 20-14 in the third period, however, baskets by Chris Cannon and Nate Griffin pulled the Tigers within a basket, which Truitt provided on a drive-in

Cannon finished the evening with 12 points, while Griffin counted 11 and Truitt finished with 10.

Denby got an outstanding effort from Alan Granger who sank a game-high 20 points.

The Tigers could have won it with a bit more accuracy at the free throw line where they canned 21 of 33 chances as compared to 12 of 24 for Denby.

Belleville and Wayne Memorial remain undefeated in the Wolverine "A" Conference. The two conference rivals will meet on Jan. 15. However, before Garland's Tigers get a shot at the defending conference champs, they have Lincoln Park and Fordson to contend

Fordson crushed Lincoln Park 73-54 thanks to a 31-point effort from senior guard Ali Saad last month. The Parkers are 1-3 on the year and Fordson, which will host the Tigers on Tuesday (Jan. 12) begin the 1993 phase of the season with a 3-1 record.

Over 30 hockey

Unbeaten Wayne survives upset bid

Undefeated Wayne Heating & Cooling managed to slip past upset-minded Sportswear Design, 3-2, last week to keep its winning streak intact in the Over 30 Wayne-Westland Hockey

Sparked by Jeff Addley's two goals and an assist. Wayne held off a late surge by Sportswear to chalk up its 11th straight victory.

Wayne got the tie-breaker from Kevin Longuski, who also counted two assists.

On the other side of the scoring ledger, Ed Schechter and Gary Shiemke each tallied and had an assist for the second-place Sportswear

In other Over 30 action, Harlow Tire moved to the top of the Berrington Division with a 7-4 victory over N/C Servo.

Arnie Crash & Burn Cox and Dave Tiger Milam each had hat tricks for the winners. Gary Ledger added a single tally. Bill Creekmore, Jim Miller, Dave Fishwick, Ron Jacobs, Darryl Nowacki, Errol Pulk and Bob Jones picked up

assists.

Gary Von Koss, Ed Harmon, Tim Dettloff and Dave Frankling accounted for N/C Servo's goals, while Joe Wiatr, Dave Zielinski and Kenn Klinck got the assists.

Jake's Again returned to the win column last week with a thrilling 2-1 victory over Alternative Funeral Services. Jake Davidson and Rick Rattai scored for the victors. Teammates Bob Parkin, John Colligan and Jim Ogozaly were credited with the assists.

Jim Creekmore scored the lone goal for Alternative Funeral Services. Jim McMaster had the assist.

Independent Floor Covering had its problems with Doug Morrison and GCA last week. Sparked by Morrison's three-goals, GCA buried Independent 9-5. Morrison also had four assists to go along with his hat trick.

Morrison's teammate Greg Barbaza also See HOCKEY, page A-12

Wayne seeks ball players

Wayne Federation officials apparently are thinking spring. And they are also planning for the 1993 baseball

Officials this week announced tryouts for the upcoming baseball season and are seeking prospective ball players, ages 13 and 14, to compete in the Little Caesar's Amateur Baseball Federation League.

"We have had some successful teams in this league," noted Bill Hardin, who has managed federation clubs for the past 10 years. "We haven't set any dates or times for the tryouts, however. But we would like potential recruits to sign up as soon as possible. They can contact me for further information."

Hardin said that the tryouts

will be conducted in local gyms until the weather is suitable for outdoor practice.

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Dan Henry

Romulus grid coach earns state honor

Post-season honors continue to pour in for Romulus High varsity football coach Dan Henry. Henry, who led the Eagles to

the Class A playoff berth after chalking up a school-record 8-3 won-lost record, was named last week as a "Coach of the Year" by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Henry turned the Romulus football program around in his fourth year as head coach. The Eagles made their debut in post-season play by destroying Highland Park in the first round. They lost to top ranked Walled Lake Western in the second round. Western went on to finish second in the state in the Class A Division.

muscles on mats By TOM MOORADIAN

Young Vikings flex

Although the wrestling program is only in the second year, the young and inexperienced Inkster grapplers are earning respect on the non-conference mats.

ANP Staff Writer

Coach Sam Ellis' Vikings posted a 42-30 victory over Dearborn Heights Crestwood after losing a 60-9 decision to perennial Wolverine "A" Conference title contender, Southgate Anderson.

Inkster also dropped a 41-30 match to the Falcons of Divine

Ellis scratched undefeated Fred Davis from the lineup for all three meets. The senior heavyweight is sidelined with a shoulder injury.

"We have a lot of talent," said Ellis, a longtime coach and former Fordson High-Eastern Michigan University wrestler. "When they learn how to utilize that talent, we're going to be tough.'

Inkster will have an opportunity to see some of the better prep teams in the area on Saturday when the Vikings compete in the annual Lincoln Park Invitational.

"We have some kids who, if they wrestle well, may pick up medals," Ellis said.

In the tri-dual meets last week, Ellis was impressed with 103-pounder, Anthony Melchor. Melchor pinned his opponent from Divine Child and also won by a decision against his peer from Crest-

"Melchor showed that he has the potential to develop into an outstanding wrestler,' Ellis said. "If he continues to work hard, the "W's" (wins) will eventually come."

Royal Gaines, a 189pounder, pinned two of his opponents and decisioned the third, while teammates Jose O'Day (145) and Dushawn Williams (160) posted 2-1 records. One of the Wiggins' twins - Jay won his first match of the season, pinning his 125-pound opponent in 25 seconds.

The Vikings have until Jan. 21 to get ready for the Suburban Athletic Conference campaign. On the 21st, the Vikings will meet Willow Run on the home mats.

Happy anniversary

Metopolitan park marks 50th year

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER Belleville City Editor

Families of the '90s are benefiting from the foresightedness of the '30s when plans for a metropark system were formulated.

With the availability of swimming, golfing, boating, picnicking, cross country skiing and hiking at the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) facilities, the lives of most people in the fivecounty area are touched by the park system.

Residents of western Wayne County are most familiar with the string of parks along the Huron River, which feature a nature center, swimming pools, golf courses and hiking trails.

The HCMA was sanctioned by the state legislature in Act 147 of the Public Acts of 1939. and was approved in 1940 by the citizens of Wayne, Livingston, Macomb, Oakland and Washtenaw counties. Funding for the authority became available in 1942.

The metropark system owes its success to the dedicated efforts of Henry Curtis, organizer of the National Recreation Association, and Professor Harlow O. Whittemore, chairman of landscape architecture at the University of Michigan, who envisioned the development of the series of parks along the Clinton and Huron rivers in the 1930s.

With wartime restrictions limiting actual development, a activities in the early 1940s were directed to land acquisition and planning. Early assessments to taxpayers, which started at 1/20 mill, continued at the approved 1/4 mill level or below.

One proposed site, located along the north shore of Belleville Lake, was proposed for a HCMA site, but the high cost of the property prevented its acquisition. A-385-acre tract of land fronting Lake St. Clair was the first acquisition, and was later formed into St. Clair Metropolitan Beach.

By late 1945, approximately 2,600 acres of the proposed 4,000-acre Kensington Metropolitan Park has been acquired, and land for Marshbank Park was donated by a Detroit philanthropist.

At the end of World War II, the state legislature appropriated \$1 million to be granted to the authority on a matching basis. The new funds helped the purchase of acreage along 12 miles of the Huron River between Belleville and Flat Rock and the development of Lower Huron Metropolitan Park.

By 1949, land acquisition reached 6,300 acres, and in 1950, Metropolitan Beach was opened for swimmers, boaters and fishermen. Also in 1950, Lower Huron and Marshbank parks opened. Two years later, Dexter-Huron Metropolitan Park opened northwest of Ann Arbor, and plans for Stony Creek Park were approved in

Police probe robbery

By MARGO DEWEY ANP Feature Editor

Wayne police are conducting an investigation of the weekend robbery of Kim's Gifts and Jewelry, 3693 Metro Place Mall.

The theft occurred 5:10 p.m. o 11:20 a.m. Jan. 2-3, according to Wayne police Lt. Mel Drews. A large amount of jewelry was

"Entry was through the roof of the building," Drews said. The investigation is being conducted by Sgt. Chris John-

Damage was excessive to the establishment. The value of the jewelry is unknown at

this time, according to Drews. "We are still completing the list of items taken," Drews

The police have no suspects at this time. Anyone with information on the incident should contact the Wayne Police Department at 721-1414.

Hudson Mills were built. bringing the total park area to 9,000 acres. Two sites, Willow and Oakwoods parks, located along the Huron River, opened in the 1960s.

By 1975, half of the land for Wolcott Mills, a proposed 3,500-acre park in Macomb County, and for Indian Springs, a 2,000-acre site in Oakland County, had been acquired along with holdings for Lake Erie Metropark.

The 10 metroparks in operation by 1976 were recording combined annual attendance of more than 8 million visitors.

Capital improvements in 1990 and 1991 included the opening of an 18- hole golf course and the beginning of a golf starter building at Hurson Mills along with the opening of a golf starter building at Indian Springs. New comfort stations at three site, completion of a children's' village, tennis and basketball courts. renovation of the marina building and construction of a regulation golf course at Lake Erie Metropark also were projects of the early '90s.

Looking back through a half century, the authority views the growing number of parks as unmatched across the nation. The growing number of parks has resulted in a rich heritage for future generations.

Western Wayne County metroparks are Lower Huron Metropark, 1,257 acres, located near Belleville; Willow Metropark, 1,531 acres between Belleville and Flat Rock, and Oakwood Metropark, 1,719 acres near Flat Rock.

Other HCMA parks are: Lake Erie Metropark, 1,591

acres, on Lake Erie · Metro Beach Metropark,

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skated off the ice with three goals and an equal number of assists. Norm Beasley, Jerry Peterson and Gary Swain each added a goal to the winner's

Larry Fix, Jim Drewry and Rog Tompkins turned in with assists.

On the other side, Bob Bowen fired in two goals and Dave Cherry, Peter Cushman and Dave Zajac each had one

Moe Paquette, Jim Fisher and Don Middaugh finished the evening with one assist

In the meantime, Mike Wlasuk scored twice to lead P.C. Outlet to a lopsided 5-1 rout of Paddy's Pub. Tom Mazorowicz, Paul Springer

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goal and an assist.

Dave Quenneville, Ernie Hunter, Conrad Madaleno, Ken Langlois, Mike Zimnicki and Bob Shureb all had assists. Jerry Moses' goal helped Paddy avert the shutout.

Top of the Lamp kept Daly's Drive In in the winless column. The Lamplighters cashed in on Ray Matthews exceptional performance for a 6-3 victory. Matthews had a big night with three goals and two assists. Walt Fischoff chipped in two goals and three assists and Rod Mackenzie got the other goal.

Ron Maison, Chuck Pankow,

and Dan Duszkiewicz added a Tim Reynolds and Gary Riegel posted assists.

For Daly's, Steve Riedy and Ken Sova came up with the goals and each had an assist. John Wibalda collected the third assist.

With Mike Greer and Larry Pennington each scoring two goals, Little Bill Trophy skated past Howell Tool & Gage, 5-3. Chuck Erickson counted one goal. Rob Harrington, Jeff Lemon, Steve Wildman, Carl Pawlowski and Jon Suvada all had assists.

Howell Tool & Gage got goals from Mike Dickie, Greg Taurianen and Dennis Reitz. It was Reitz' first of the 1992-93 campaign.



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Local gemologist narrows the scope selecting a quality diamond

By MARGO DEWEY ANP Feature Editor

Buying a diamond can be a very frustrating experience. There are several sizes and shapes, various colors and different grades and weights.

One of the more difficult aspects of purchasing a diamond, however, is knowing the difference between a real one and a fake.

Robert E. Girard, a jewelry consultant with Leo's Jewelry and Gifts in Wayne, has an eye for knowing the true quality of a real diamond. Recently he earned a graduate gemologist diploma from the Gemological Institute of America.

Girard, a Canton Township resident, completed a fivecourse program in diamonds, diamond grading, colored stones, gem identification, colored stone grading and three one-week resident classes in diamonds, gem identification and colored stone grading.

A graduate gemology diploma represents the highest level of professional training in the jewelry industry, according to Girard.

"It actually took me five years to achieve this diploma," Girard said. "My diploma was achieved through correspondence with the Gemological Institute of America which is based in Santa Monica.

"You have to grade 270 gems through the mail. You take six weeks with the actual teachers from the institute in any major metropolitan city, and I chose Tampa, Fla."

Girard had to grade 300 additional gems during the sixweek study in Tampa.

"Through the course you learn how the gems are mined, the chemical composition of diamonds and gem stones and the crystal structure," Girard said. "They have ways to identify the flaws with an emerald and tell you what mine it came out of and from what country."

Girard also gained experience with gem enhancement, the way that gem stones are made more beautiful.

"Whether it's to deceive or make it look prettier, as a gemologist, we have to know if a stone has been doctored because you have to disclose that to your customers," Girard said.

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- Robert E. Girard jewelry consultant

ard recommends a simplistic mounting.

"Many customers, if they are on a limited budget, decide to get a simplistic mounting and a larger center stone," Girard. "As the anniversary comes up, they will take the center stone, which is the sentimental object of the ring, and remount it into a fancier, wider type of band.

"A lot of young couples go with a solitaire."

One of the newest styles of wedding rings for the bride is the "bridal ring", according to Girard.

"It does not have a wedding band," Girard said. "It's one single ring. In the past they had two rings which make a set, they are doing away with that. The bridal ring you wear for the engagement period as well as the wedding ring."

Couples interested in purchasing a diamond wedding ring should consider spending two months gross salary, according to Girard.

"The diamond syndicate has been pushing this program for years about spending two months gross salary on a diamond engagement ring, and it works," Girard said. "The dollar amounts are much greater than they were in previous years. We're finding people come in and make a major purchase and finance the ring rather than coming in with what they have in their pockets."

Diamond customers are realizing that the sparkling gem is a better value than buying an automobile, according to Girard.

"They realize it's something they will have the rest of their lives," Girard said.

How can you tell a real diamond from a fake?

"The most popular fake diamond out there right now is the cubic zirconia (CZ)," Girard said. "The CZ will emit lots

of rainbow colors whereas a real diamond does not emit colors like that. You'll find that if a stone has lots of colors flashing off of it, it may not be genuine because real diamonds don't do that."

Others tests to tell if a diamond is genuine include placing the diamond on a piece of paper with lettering. If you can see through it and see the lettering, it's not a real diamond, according to Girard.

"You can read through a CZ," Girard said. "If you breathe on a diamond it will fog up and remain that way for a long period of time. With a CZ, it clears up quickly."

Girard said CZs look a lot

Girard said CZs look a lot like diamonds and even trained experts sometimes can't detect the fake without taking a closer look.

"You can see a real diamond in water, but if you put a CZ in or fake stone, it will be very hard to see it," Girard said.

There are six common cuts of diamonds including: round, heart-shaped, oval, marquis, pear-shaped and emerald.

"These are the common shapes, but there are also horses heads, stars, and they can even cut your initial into a diamond now with lasers," Girard said

A diamond is measured by its weight. Because they are not large enough to be correctly weighed in ounces or pounds, they need a smaller scale which is a carat.

"One carat equals 200th of a gram," Girard said. "There are a 100 points in a carat. Think of pennies into a dollar, and it works the same way. If you have someone telling you it's a half a carat, the Fair Trades Commission says anything from 41 points to 56 points is a half carat.

"If you walk out the door with a half carat, in your mind you may think 50 points, but it may be 41, 42, 43 points. Always ask for the exact weight of the diamond, not the fraction."

When shopping from store to store, diamonds may begin to look alike, however, the price varies greatly.

"The quality of the stone is going to dictate the price," Girard said. "An analogy would be an automobile. There are Rolls Royces and there are Yugos. They will both get you there, but one will be a lot nicer.

"Anywhere from flawless to imperfect is the range. If you get a stone with eye-visible blemishes, it will be very inexpensive. These are the kinds of diamonds the discount jewelry stores will sell."

If you want a good diamond that you can't see any blemishes with your eye, then you need to shop at a specialty jewelry, according to Girard.

Girard said when he has a customer, he spends time educating them on their selection.

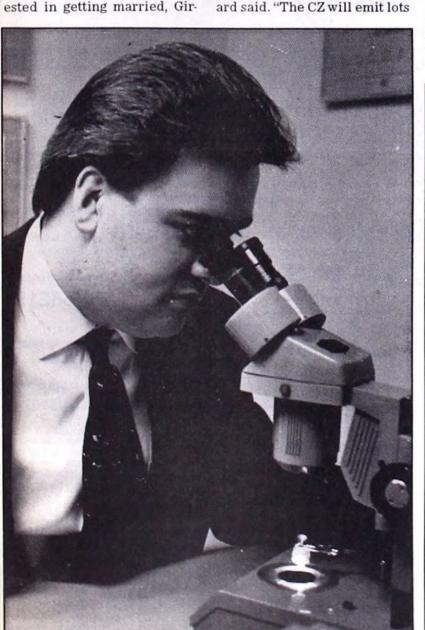
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Diamond rings aren't the only popular items, according to Girard. Diamond earrings continue to be one of the main sellers.

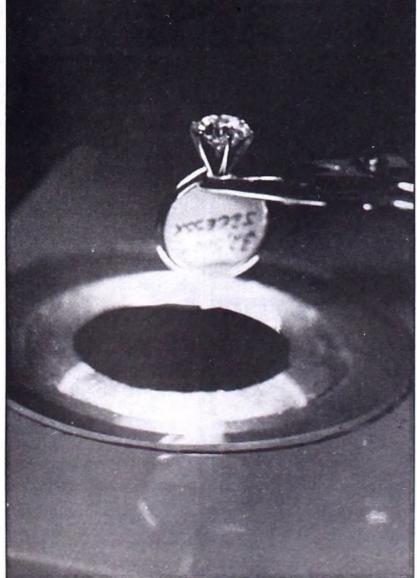
"Earrings and necklaces are stable and have been for years," Girard said. "Diamond earrings I think are the number one seller in the accessories. We sold probably 72 pairs of the single diamond stud earrings this Christmas.

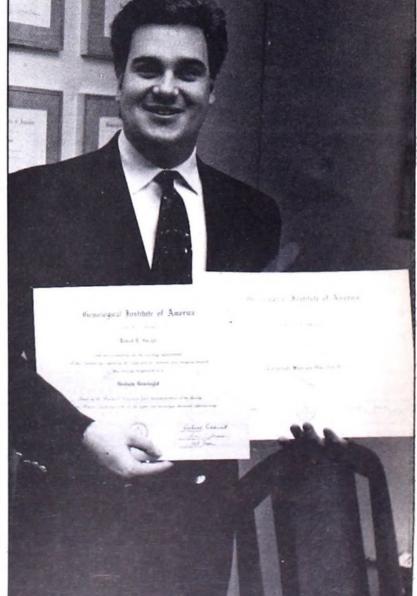


Leo's Jewelry and Gifts sales consultant Janet Fristick confers with Robert Girard on their latest selection of diamond wedding rings. ANP photo by Ken Garner



Robert Girard checks the brilliance of a diamond. ANP photo by Ken





Robert Girard from Leo's Jewelry and Gifts achieved his Graduate Gemologist diplomas from the Gemological Institute of America. ANP photo by Ken Garner

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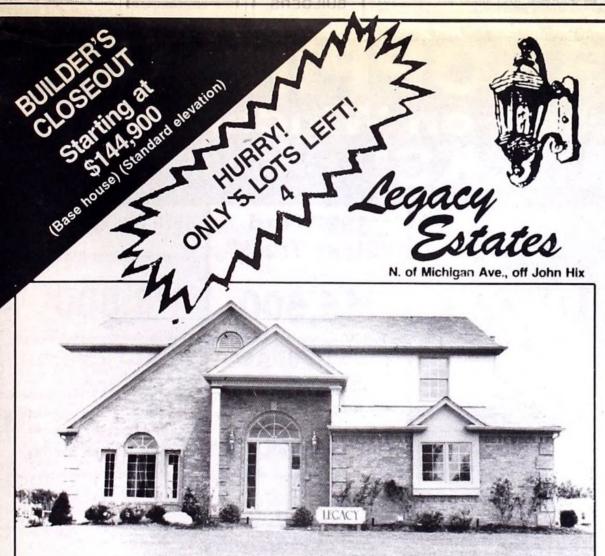
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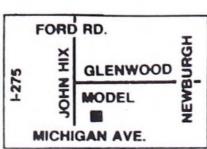
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You should always adjust your speed to the driving conditions. When driving in winter weather, slow down. You need more time to react to hazardous conditions.

Avoid rough use of the brakes, accelerator and steering wheel. Always do your braking when the vehicle is in a straight position before a curve. Take your foot completely off the brake before you steer into the corner and don't begin to accelerate until you are out of the corner.

you drive, always check the road conditions and assess the level of grip your tires have.

To text the grip, brake hard at a slow speed until you lock the wheels up (immediately release the brakes). This will give you a good feeling about the grip and will help you adjust your braking distance and speed.

When going around a curve, don't over steer. This will cause your rear wheels to skid out. If you find yourself in this situation, turn the wheel in the direction of the skid.

Try to avoid under steering. When this happens, your front wheels will not turn. All you can do in this situation is take your foot off the gas until you regain traction.

When crossing intersections be on the lookout for snowy You want the vehicle to grip roads. If you have to change lanes, be very smooth with your steering action and never accelerate or decelerate while changing lanes.

When driving up a snowcovered hill, make sure you build momentum on the flat area. As the grade increases and your vehicle begins to slow down, don't try to keep the same speed by stepping on

Just let your speed decrease. Take your time climbing the hill, letting the vehicle keep its grip with the road.

If you do get stuck, avoid spinning the tires because that will create an ice patch. Instead, gently rock your vehicle back and forth.

To do this, apply gentle pressure on the accelerator and the brake in the drive gear and then in the reverse gear until you can move your car.

Winter car care is essential

Mechanical failure can be deadly in the winter.

Officials from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) have compiled a list of suggestions for vehicle owners to help prevent vehicle mishaps from

The first step is the easiest. Motorists should read their owner's manual and get in the habit of following the manufacturer's recommended service schedules.

To get your vehicle ready for winter, ASE officials recommend the following: correcting problems with hard starts, rough idling and stalling before cold weather sets in; the cooling system should be flushed and refilled every 24 months; check condition and

tightness of belts and hoses; because exhaust fumes can be change oil and oil filter as specified in owner's manual.

ASE officials also suggest checking and replacing, if necessary, air, fuel and other filters.

Other helpful tips include: · Replace worn wiper

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working condition. · Check battery strength with professional equipment

at a repair facility · Inspect all lights and bulbs. Replace burned out bulbs.

· Have the exhaust system examined for leaks. The trunk and floor boards should be checked for small holes deadly.

· Check the condition of tires. Don't drive on worn tires. Make sure the spare is in good condition and the tire jack is in good working order.

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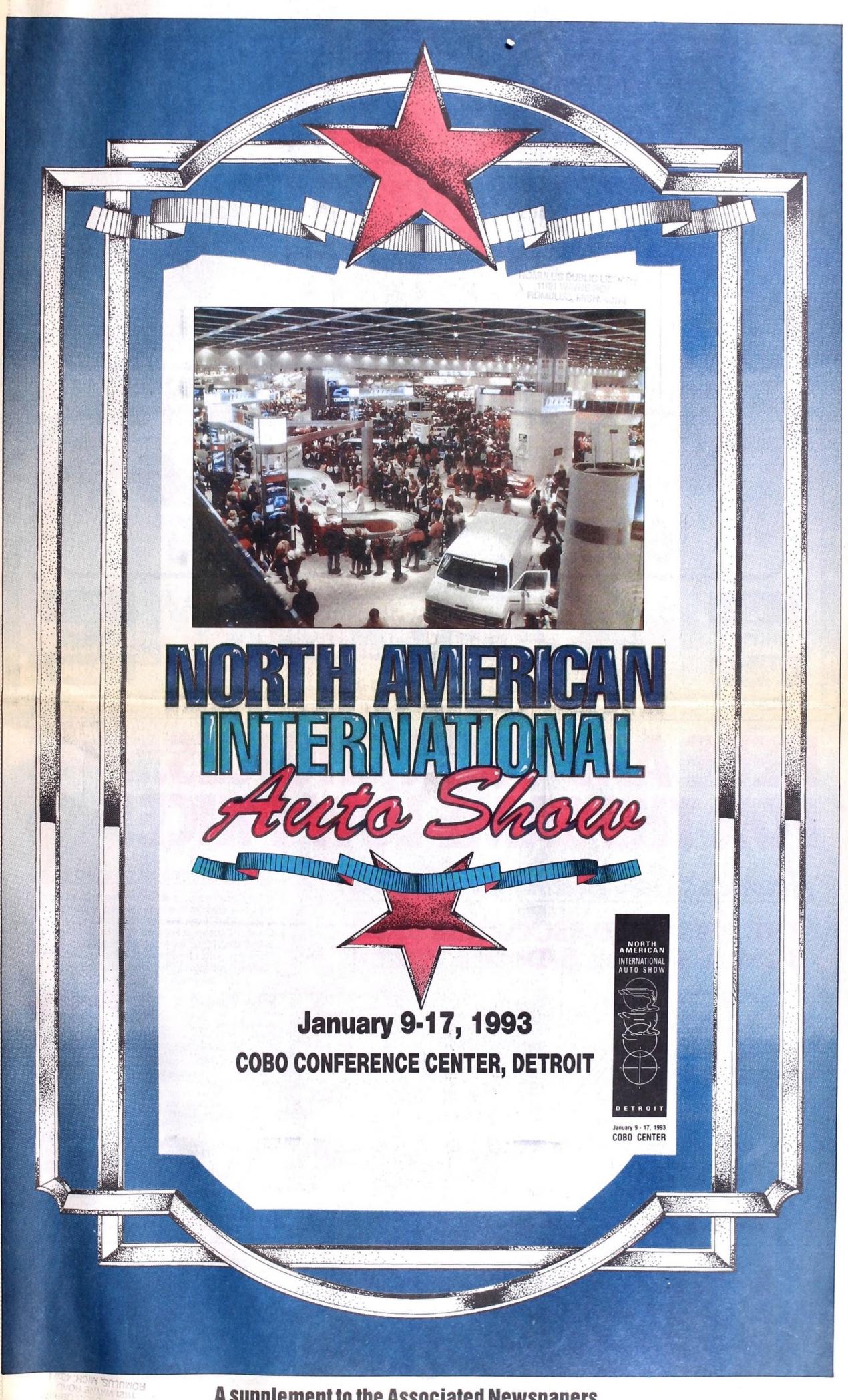
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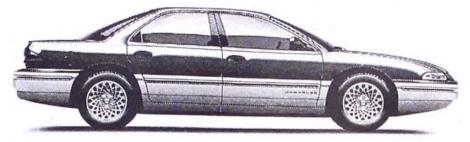
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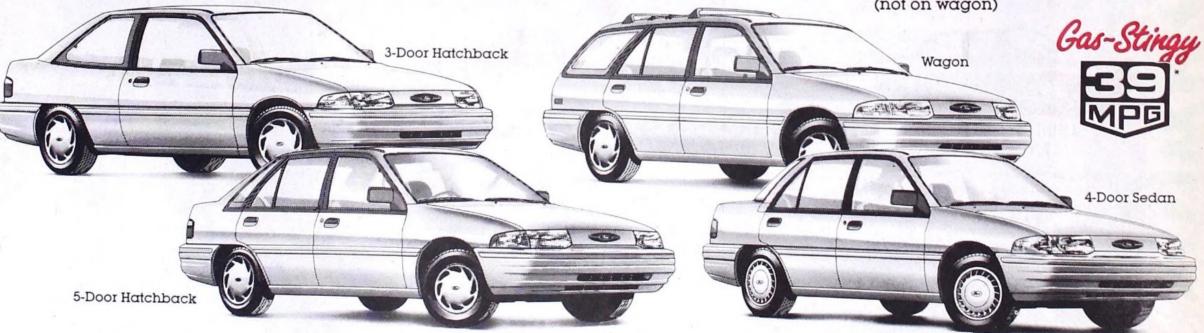


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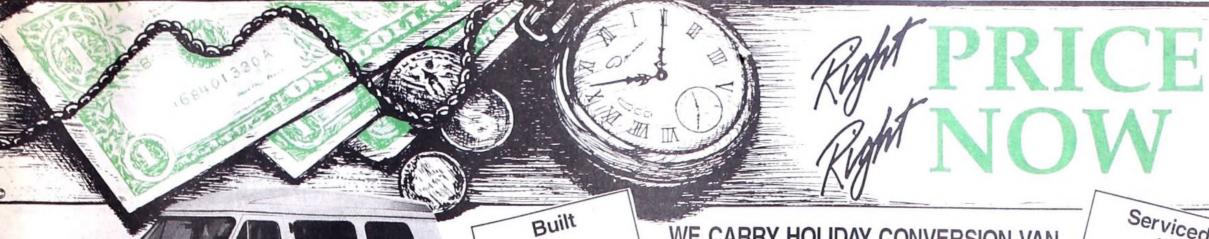


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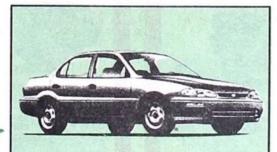


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A world showcase

Display will bring out the best in design and engineering

By CRAIG GARRETT ANP Staff Writer

The 1993 North American International Auto Show has developed into one of the four principal world showcases for new cars, trucks and concept vehicles with local attendance figures topping 625,000 last year, or 12 percent more visitors than in 1991. And why not? This is Detroit, the home of world auto excellence and innovation for more than 100

In the fifth year at the Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center, the 1993 international show, hosted by the Detroit Automobile Dealers Association, features more than 40 manufacturers displaying some 750 vehicles in 600,000 square-feet of lighted displays and carpeted floor space. Last year, exhibitors represented France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Sweden and, of course, the U.S.

Dramatic vehicles like the Dodge Viper, Lexus LS 400, Ford Explorer, Cadillac Seville, Infiniti Q45 and the Jeep Grand Cherokee have all made their entrance at the Cobo Center. In 1992 alone, 55 new cars and trucks made their worldwide debut and since the show opened in 1988 more than 160 new cars and trucks have shown their stuff.

This year the 1994 New Yorker, Chrysler's flagship sedan built on the successful LH platform, will be introduced. Also Dodge presents its stunning Ram pickup, and the Oldsmobile's Aurora will be introduced. Aurora, set for production in spring 1994, is a luxury sedan powered by the all-new GM Northstar V-8.

Lincoln introduces the radical Mark VIII at the show only days after the luxury/ performance vehicle went on sale in late December. The five-passenger coupe has been

The show opens at 10 a.m. this Saturday and runs through 7 p.m. Jan. 17. Both Saturdays and this Sunday doors close at 10:30 p.m., Monday through Friday doors open at 2 p.m. and close at 10:30 p.m. Adults ticket prices are \$7, seniors (65 and over) \$3 and children under 12 are free when accompanied by a parent, otherwise \$3.

completely redesigned and features a new 4.6L, four cam V-8 offering owners 280 horses of pure Ford muscle.

Other featured international show vehicles from the design tables of the finest engineers in the world include: the Volvo 850 GLT, the newest production car from the Swedish manufacturer; Subaru offers Impreza, the latest series of subcompact front- and allwheel drive sedans and wagons from the unique Japanese auto firm.

Also look for the new Mitsubishi midsize, fivepassenger Galant; the Volkswagen six-cylinder Jetta GLX, plus new BMWs, a Lexus, as well as the North American premiere of the Rolls-Royce Bentley Brooklands and the Corniche IV convertible. Also Mercedes-Benz debuts the new 300CE Cabriolet, the first four-passenger convertible the German manufacturer has offered in two decades; the Saab 9000 CS Aero, the next generation 9000, and take extra time to locate the Chevrolet Indy Pace car, the all-new Camaro Z28 and the 1993 Pontiac Firebird and Trans Am vehicles for a look at where auto manufacturers are headed during the early stages

of the next century.

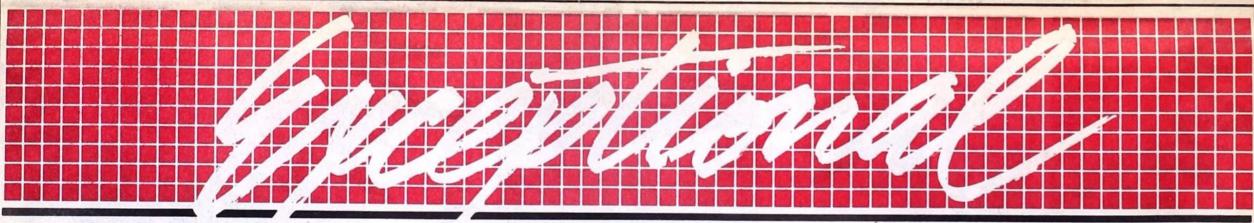
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The Michigan Professional Golfers Association also is staging a golf show Jan. 14-17. Some 150 Michigan members of the PGA are expected to participate in the program which includes golf tips, hitting nets, clinics, club fitting, resort presentations and an area devoted to putting.

Visitor parking is suggested at the Cobo Garage, Cobo Roof and Arena Garage, Joe Louis Arena Garage and other nearby facilities. Also check out the People Mover system which provides easy access from parking areas further away from the exhibition center. A city shuttle bus will be available between Greektown and Cobo Center, providing a continual loop from 10 a.m. through 10:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, plus 2 to 10:30 p.m. on weekdays.



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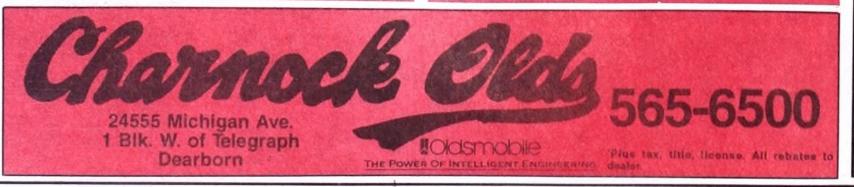
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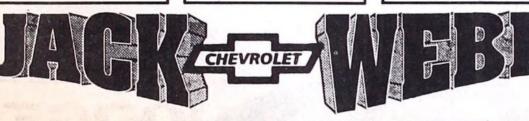
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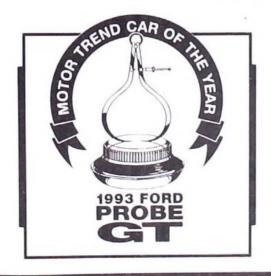


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Chevrolet unveils Camaro and GEO

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

The sleek new fully redesigned 1993 Chevrolet Camaro and Camaro Z28 models will be unveiled to the public at the 1993 North American International Auto Show opening Saturday at Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center.

Krug Chevrolet Geo sales manager Joseph Schaefer revealed last week that Chevrolet dealers have only seen photos of the new models and "even though the photos don't do them justice, we know anyone who is young at heart will be excited upon seeing them."

Schaefer said the new Camaro wrap-around cockpit style interior is sure to catch the hearts of many new car buyers this year and prices will be very close to the 1992 models.

While a limited number of the new Camaros will be on display in the area through the auto show, Schaefer said, Krug Chevrolet Geo will have a full range of models at its Taylor salesroom at 13801 Telegraph

Schaefer said Krug Chevrolet Geo expects 1993 to be a tremendous growth year for both the local company and Chevrolet itself.

"People already are showing a new confidence in the economy and are entering showrooms as serious buyers instead of browsers as they have in recent years," Schaefer said.

Because of the turn around in buyers' confidence levels, he said, auto dealers are forecasting a much heavier turnout at the auto show this year.

Among the other key Chevrolet models that are sure to catch the eye of visitors, he said, will be the always popular Lumina models with a more powerful engine for the standard sedan and an electronically- controlled fourspeed automatic transmission for uplevel models.

The 1993 Corvette also is featuring an optional 40th year anniversary package including a new passive keyless entry system and a significant horsepower and torque increase for the Lt5-powered ZR-1.

The anniversary package also will include an exclusive ruby red exterior and interior with color-keyed wheel centers, headrest embroidery and bright emblems on the hood, deck and side-grills.

Also on line is the 1993 Caprice with new rear styling that includes opening the wheel wells, widening the body-side moldings and rear axle and added chrome trunklid molding and new taillights with chrome detailing.

All Caprice models have added more acoustical insulation to further reduce engine, wind and road noise.

The Classic LTZ also has a 180-HP 5.7L V8 engine, replacing the 5.0L V8, as standard equipment in 1993.

The 1993 Beretta offers a much quieter, safer, and more convenient operation.

With a retuned and quieter exhaust system that includes a laminated exhaust manifold pipe, the engine noise at acceleration time is vastly reduced.

A brake-transmission shift interlock is new for all automatic transmissions. This safety feature requires drivers to apply the brake before shift-

ing out of "park" and into gear. A new clutch has been added for five-speed-manualtransmission Berettas equipped with the 3.1L V6 or

Quad 4 engines. A bright aqua metallic and dark green gray metallic are new exterior colors and light gray has been added to the interior choices.

The 1993 Corsica models also are offering much quieter and safer rides.

Wind noise has been reduced through improved front and rear door sealings, modifications to the outside rearview mirrors and reshaped windshield moldings.

Rear doors are designed to open farther for easier entry/ exit and a new power steering gear piston rod improves the on-center steering feel for V6equipped Corsicas and a metal

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one.
Krug Chevrolet Geo sales offices will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays and 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Schaefer said.



1993 GEO Prism LSi



1993 Camaro Z28

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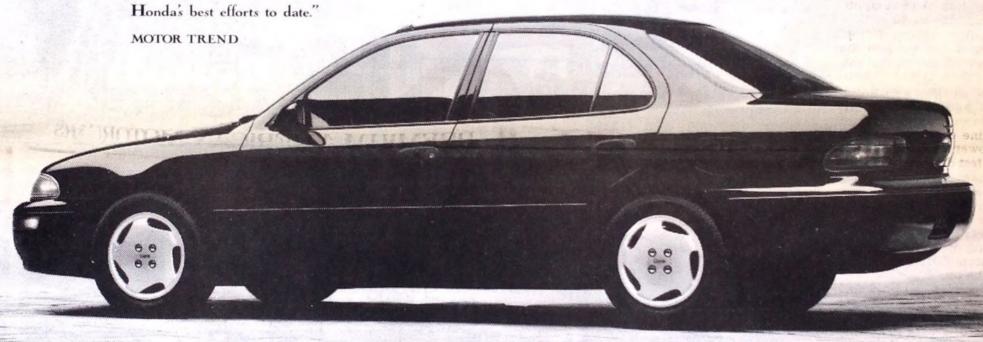
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History of the division has been exciting from the beginning. Buick recovered from near bankruptcy in 1904 to become the No. 1 producer of automobiles in 1908-surpassing the combined production of Ford and Cadillac, the closest competitors.

Buick was the financial pillar on which GM was created.

Buick was where a number of major contributors to U.S. auto history first headed an auto-building company--such as Billy Durant, GM founder; Charles Nash, a founder of what later became American Motors; Walter Chrysler, founder of Chrysler Corp.; Harlow Curtice, a GM president and chief executive in the postwar era. Louis Chevrolet, co- founder with Durant of the Chevrolet automobile, had earlier achieved fame as a Buick race driver.

And Buick has been a product innovator from day one starting with the creation of the valve-in-head engine, which earned an unsurpassed early reputation in competition around the world.

From the beginning "motor" has been a key word in the Buick name. That original patented valve-in-head, two-cylinder engine was unbelievably powerful. A prominent auto writer, who reported the engine delivered 22 to 29 horsepower, had to set up a special test drive to prove that performance to his doubting editors and colleagues.

Yet in 1903, the Buick Motor Co., then headquartered in Detroit, was one of the least promising of the hundreds of tiny automobile companies across the country.

The founder had produced only two cars in three years of trying. David Buick, though an inventor of merit, generally was considered a dreamer. The company was in debt, the chief engineer had just left and the financial backer wanted out of the deal.

David Buick, born in Scotland Sept. 17, 1854, and brought to the U.S. at age 2, had been a successful plumbing inventor and manufacturer in Detroit when he turned his attention to gasoline engines in the late 1890s. He started a succession of companies: Buick Auto-Vim and Power Co. (1899), Buick Manufacturing Co. (1902) and Buick Motor Co. (incorporated

May 19, 1903), all in Detroit.

These companies produced some engines for power boats and stationary farm use. And by 1901 a horseless carriage, "The Buick Automobile," was in existence. David Buick tried to sell it that year to his former engineer, Walter Marr, for \$300. Marr held out and got it for \$225. Marr probably built the car for Buick.

Buick and his engineers often argued, it's said. Marr said he worked for Buick three times, and each time the company had a different name. But between Buick, Marr and another engineer, Eugene Richard, the valve-in-head engine was developed. It was light, powerful and reliable and eventually the entire industry would make use of the principle. But in 1903, David Buick had neither the manpower nor the money to fully develop it.

That year, Buick financial backer, Benjamin Briscoe, Jr., sold his interest in Buick to a group of wagon makers in Flint. Eighteen years later, Briscoe observed that the Buick success story was "so fraught with romance that it made the Arabian Nights tales look commonplace."

On Sept. 11, 1903, James H. Whiting, manager of the Flint Wagon Works, announced that the wagon works directors had bought the Buick company and

planned to move it-bag, baggage and David Buick-from Detroit to Flint. A one-story brick factory on W. Kearsley Street in Flint was in operation, building engines by December. On Jan. 22, 1904, Buick Motor Co. of Detroit was dissolved and on Jan. 30, 1904, Buick Motor Co. of Flint was incorporated.

In the summer of 1904, the company built the first Flint Buick. Walter Marr, back again as chief engineer, and Thomas Buick, the founder's son, took it on a test run to Detroit and back July 9-12. The test was so successful that Whiting's group ordered production to start. Buick began production with the Model B that summer and built 37 cars by the end of 1904. When the company ran into financial problems that fall, Whiting turned to one of the other Flint carriage builders for help. That man was William Crapo "Billy" Durant, Flint carriage "king."

Grandson of a Michigan governor, Durant had gotten into the vehicle business almost on a whim. One evening in 1886, he saw an attractive horsedrawn road cart on the streets of Flint. The next night, Durant took a train to Coldwater where the cart was manufactured and bought the rights to build it. That year he started the Flint Road Cart Co. By 1900, the firm, renamed the Durant-Dort Carriage Co., was the largest producer of horsedrawn vehicles in the country.

Durant didn't particularly like automobiles, it was saidhe was no different from most men at that time. But he was a strong supporter of Flint, and he knew a "self-seller" when he saw one. The Buick, he said, drew plenty of attention because it could climb hills and run through mud like no other car he had ever seen. If automobiles could be this good, he thought, then maybe it was time to switch from the horseand-buggy business to automobiles.

Durant moved Buick assembly briefly to Jackson in 1905 (building more than 700 Model C vehicles that year) while he gathered money from Flint banks and businessmen to



Buick chief engineer, Walter L. Marr (left), and Thomas D. Buick, son of founder David Dunbar Buick, in the first Flint Buick as it ended a successful Flint-Detroit round trip in July 1904. ANP Special Photo

build the largest assembly facility in the country on the north side of the city. He also persuaded Charles Mott Stewart to move his axle business from Utica, N.Y. to Flint to build axles. He promoted Buicks across the country,

using the Durant- Dort carriage outlets and salespeople as the nucleus of a giant distribution system.

In 1908, with production totaling a little more than 8,000 units, Buick led the nation in production. Durant had made

the transition from the biggest seller of buggies to the biggest seller of automobiles. And, on the success of Buick, Durant created a holding company that year. He called it General Motors. The rest, as they say, is

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Two all new world-class Ford products, Lincoln Mark VIII personal luxury car and Mercury Villager minivan, will highlight the 1993 Lincoln-Mercury division auto show offerings at the North American International Auto Show Jan. 9-17 at Cobo Convention Center in Detroit.

With the addition of the two new vehicles, visitors will have a chance to see one of the strongest lineups in years, according to Lee R. Miskowski, Ford vice president and Lincoln-Mercury general man-

"Adding Villager to our lineup enables us to serve the needs of customers who want the flexibility of a minivan and the quality and comfort of a Mercury," Miskowski said. "Mark VIII is our flagship of the future, a car that will take on the luxury cars of the world.'

Villager and Mark VIII are the sixth and seventh all-new vehicles out of a total of 10 Lincoln-Mercury products introduced in the last three years.

Addition of a standard passenger-side air-bag supplemental restraint system (SRS) to the driver-side air bag system in the 1993 Mercury Sable and Mercury Grand Marquis solidifies the division's position as a leader in safety features.

Seven Lincoln-Mercury car lines, including Mercury Topaz and Mercury Capri, now offer a driver-side air bag SRS. Five of those seven- Lincoln Town Car, Lincoln Continental, Lincoln Mark VIII, Sable and Grand Marquis-offer standard driver-and-passengerside air bags.

"In addition to the latest safety and technology features, we believe Lincoln-Mercury products offer customers outstanding value," Miskowski said. "And we have greatly simplified the buying process through our 'One-Price' program for Mercury Tracer sedan and wagon, consolidation of the Mercury Topaz and Mercury Cougar car lines into a single high- value series for each, and our discounted special option packages."

The auto show highlights for Lincoln-Mercury include the following

• 1993-Lincoln Town Car-The new Town Car delivers a fresh look from bumper to bumper, from the new grille to standard geometric-spoke wheels to new tail lamps and rear safety reflector bar.

New standard features include a leather-wrapped steering wheel, electronic instrument cluster, remotecontrol keyless entry system and new electronic climate control.

• 1993 Lincoln Continental-A new five-passenger seating arrangement featuring individual seats for the driver and front passenger is optional for 1993. Continental also adds a leather-wrapped steering wheel and a safety-belt adjustment feature for added com-

• 1993 Lincoln Mark VIII-The Mark VIII is powered by a powerful 4.6- liter 'four-cam' 32-valve V-8 aluminum engine. A world-class ride and handling is provided by an electronic, wide-ratio four-speed automatic overdrive transmission and computer-controlled air-spring suspension system with speed-dependent height adjustment.

Standard equipment in-cludes driver and passenger air bag supplemental restraint systems, four-wheel disc brakes and an electronic antilock braking System.

· 1993 Mercury Grand Marquis-A right-front passenger-side air bag SRS is standard on the 1993 Mercury Grand Marquis. Also standard are a new clock, cupholders, color-coordinated body side moldings and bumper strips, and an AM/FM cassette radio.

• 1993-Mercury Cougar XR7-The Mercury Cougar car line is consolidated into a single series, the XR7, for 1993. The new model has a sport instrument cluster, leather-wrapped shift knob, color- keyed steering wheel and column, new wheel covers and color-keyed

roof moldings. · 1993-Mercury Sable-Mercury Sable adds as standard equipment a right-front passenger-side air bag SRS, integrated console and floor shift, and new seat fabrics.

· 1993 Mercury Topaz-Mercury Topaz is consolidated into a singer series for 1993, the GS. Topaz offers an optional driver-side air bag SRS.

• 1993-Mercury Tracer-For 1993, both Tracer and Tracer wagon adopt the simulated light-bar grille found on Tracer LTS models.

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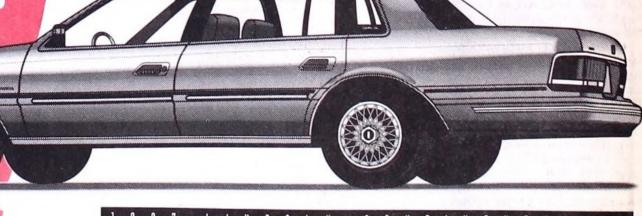
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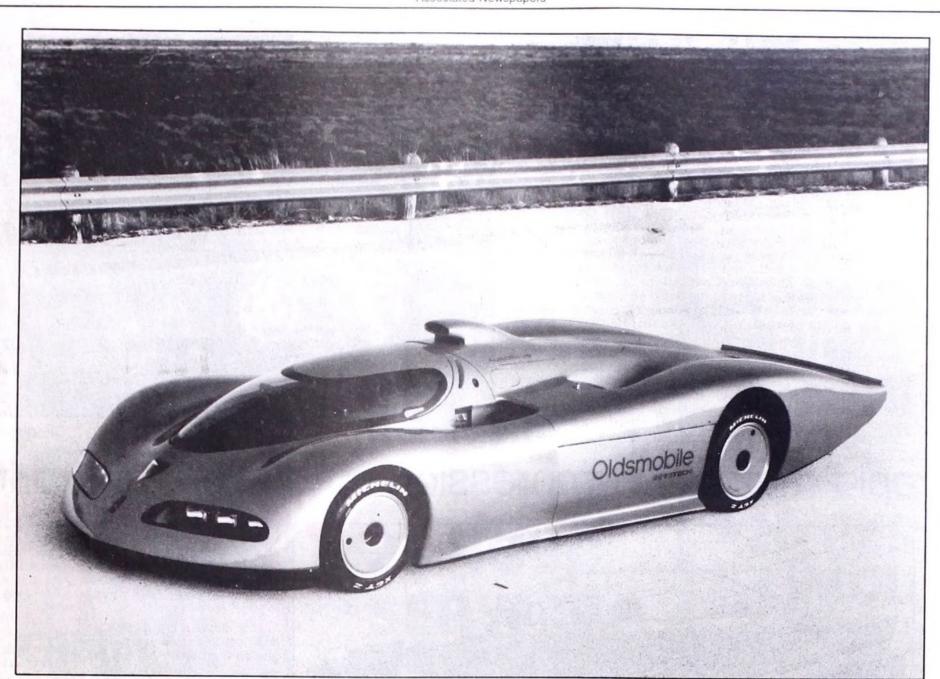


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Text by Joan Dyer-Zinner

The Oldsmobile Aurora

Aurora

Romulus team is driving force in success of show super car

When visitors view the record-setting Oldsmobile Aurora on display at the North American International Automobile Show, they will be seeing the work of a Romulus firm which helped the research vehicle to earn 47 speed and endurance records.

Cyril J. Batten, president of Batten Corp. of Romulus, was instrumental in the original Oldsmobile Aerotech program in 1987 when driver A.J. Foyt drove the Aerotech to a closedcourse world speed record of 257 mph at Ft. Stockton, Texas.

The Oldsmobile Aurora, expected to be a highlight of the NAIA show, is a sleak Aerotech research vehicle which has set 47 new world, international, national and American speed and endurance records at Ft. Stockton last month. The wins include world records of 170.761 mph for 10,000 kilometers and 158.386 mph for 25,000 kilometers.

"Batten's engine-building and project management professionals were along for every mile of the ride," said Batten.

"We simply could not have done it for ourselves as efficiently as Batten did it for us at Ft. Stockton," said Bill Porter-field, Oldmobile director of future technologies and father of the original Aerotech record

"Working with Oldsmobile, GM Powertrain and Norwood, their design, engineering, manufacturing and manage-

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> - Bill Porterfield Oldsmobile director

ment capabilities on this record attempt program were what made it happen for Oldsmobile," said Porterfield, who served as ramrod for the

record-attempt program. The new records made by the Oldsmobile Aerotech include two world records, some 18 international records for all distances from 10 kilometers to 25,000 kilometers. The Aerotech also set records for times from one hour to 24 hours plus nine American and 18 national records.

The completely refurbished Aerotech used an essentially stock 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora 4-liter aluminum V-8 engine for power, and relied on Batten Corp. to help its future 4-cam, 4-valve engine in its record- setting perfomances.

Batten designed and built the then-new Oldsmobile Quad-4 turbo engine and adapted it for use in the Aerotech, a rebodied March Indycar chassis that Foyt drove for the fastest car honors in the world. Batten served as project manager for the December, 1992, program as well, recruiting personnel from Batten Corp.'s Advanced Concepts manufacturing and performance divisions as well as well as project management experts from Batten.

Oldsmobile and Batten Corp. had, in effect, turned the original two Aerotechs from Indycar racers, normally used for 200- to 500-mile events into 25,000-mile recordholders.

Working on a whole new engine package for the redesigned Aerotech, Batten Corp. designed the engine installation package for the 320valve aluminum V-8 engine, including front and rear mounting plates, the starter drive system, a completely new air intake system, engine cooling and oil cooling systems, a new alternator mount, and a racing-style clutch assembly and all race-quality hardware. A dry-sump lubrication system pan and pump to allow the Aurora V-8 engine sump to clear the track surface was fabricated and installed by Batten Performance. An intake camshaft profile, designed for 1995 export versions of the Aurora V-8, was used, along with tuned headers.

all of the mechanical pieces required to hang the bodies on the chassis, as well as all of the unique spare parts, using Batten's own CNC machinery. Starting in April, Batten worked with Oldsmobile GM electronics staffs and did the engine electrical and electronics looms and the looms for the Aerotech telemetry and data acquisition system.

"All of the Aurora engines were assembled and hottested by Batten, and each engine was given a 10-hour durability run by GM Powertrain," Batten said.

Batten designed and installed a series of triangulating members around the engine bay so that tub is attached to the transaxle with no

Batten's machinists made

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Cyril J. Batten

stresses going through the en-

Norwood R&D of Dallas. working with Batten Corp., designed and built all three new Aerotech long-tail bodies and did the original paint work, according to the Romulus business owner. Batten Corp. was responsible for the initial concept of the record attempt, the initial proposal and the feasiblity studies. Eight Batten employees worked virtually full-time on the program from its inception, in addition to another 12 part-timers from Team Batten.

The record-shattering Aerotech vehicles will be on display in Los Angeles following the Detroit event, and will tour the country during the winter auto show season.

Business owner fulfills own prediction

The ability to adapt has proved to be an

advantage for my company during the changes

that have occurred in the automotive business.

Last year, Romulus business owner Cyril J. Batten predicted that 1993 would be his big year, and with just a few days into the new year, he appears to have made a correct forecast.

This week, the Oldsmobile Aurora - a sleek research vehicle - left Batten Performance Co. in Romulus for exhibition at the North American International Automobile show at Cobo Center. Later, the car will be viewed in Los Angeles and then embark on a nationwide

Prior to the opening of the show, the vehicle was heralded as the expected highlight of the exhibition, and Batten takes pride in the fact that a local business and area workers have played a major role in the achieving the record-breaking honors.

Batten's engine-building and project management professionals were part of the team effort in which the Old-

smobile Aerotech set a total of 47 new world, international and national speed and endurance records. "We were the team behind the effort," said Batten who

was instrumental in the original program in 1987. In an interview in the fall,

Batten predicted that 1993 will be his best year even, based on current projects and future or-

- Cyril J. Batten

"In my type of business, I've had to adapt quickly and become diversified. The ability to adapt has proved to be an advantage for my company during the changes that have occurred in the automotive business," Batten said.

Batten, who resides in Van Buren Township, began his

business as a part-time endeavor in his garage while working as a Ford Motor Co. engineer.

"I was making racing cylinder heads for customers, and my part-time business grew into almost a full-time one. At that time, I was working with a group of engineers on a rotary engine and the project was being phased out," Batten said. "I thought that would be a good time for me to concentrate on my own business. I previously had a three- to four- month backlong of orders, but the backlog increased to two years of orders at that time."

Contributing to his business boom was the number of drag racing drivers who were winning titles and breaking records with Batten-made



C.J. Batten is hard pressed to even count the number of weight lifting See BATTEN, page B-12 records he now holds. ANP photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

New Firebird flys down the road 'like an eagle'

By CRAIG GARRETT ANP Staff Writer

Hot, tropical, blazing, thermal (and other southern hemisphere weather-related terms) equate with showroom floor temperatures during introduction of the fourth-generation Pontiac Firebird, Formula and Trans Am vehicles at the North American International Auto Show

"The Grand Am is still our bread-and-butter," said Jim Druce, general sales manager of Red Holman Pontiac in Westland, "but Firebird is going to be the hottest thing out there and will be a good attention getter for the division in general."

The all-new Firebird features a raked configuration with lightweight composite body panels, doors, roof, hatch and spoiler. Only the hood and quarter panels are galvanized

The 275-horsepower, highperformance 5.7L V-8 engine is available in the Formula and Trans Am models. This essentially is the same motor anchored in Corvette. Standard power is the new 3.4L V-6.

New ride and handling features include the "superior damping performance" of deCarbon montube gas shocks, short and long-arm front suspension and standard rackand-pinion steering.

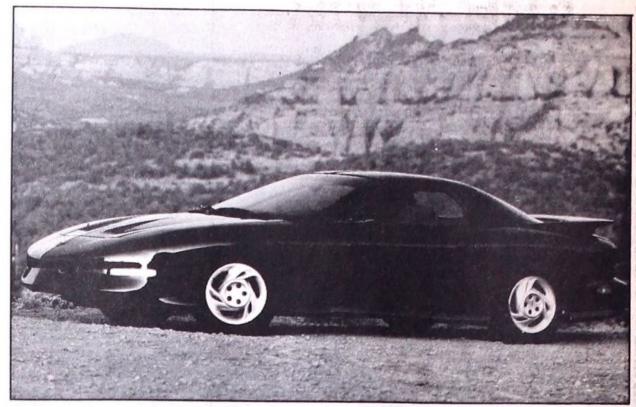
The hot Firebird hunkers

down on 16-inch aluminum wheels and tires with the optional 50ZR16 Goodyear Eagles available on Formula and Trans Am.

Inside the redesigned instrument panel offers large, easy-to-read analog gauges, plus a powerful new 70-watt, 10 speaker Delco sound system. Additionally a driver's side airbag and ABS brakes are available on Firebird models for the first time.

Firebird designers are targeting Mustang, Daytona IROC, Stealth, Celica and 300ZX owners for a larger portion of the hot-car market.

Dealers are expected to see Firebird around mid-February, Druce added.



1993 Pontiac Firebird Trans Am

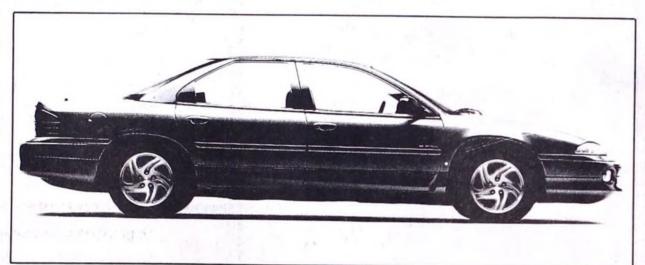
Dodge Intrepid makes an impression on dealers and drivers

By CRAIG GARRETT ANP Staff Writer

General Motors was the carmaker of the 1970s, Ford the '80s and Chrysler cars and trucks will be the hot product of the 1990s and beyond, said Dick Scott Dodge spokesman Bob Faust.

"We can't keep the (Dodge) Intrepid on the lot," said Faust, the Plymouth-based retailer's general sales manager. "Dollar-for-dollar it's the best car on the market, bar none."

The slick new front-wheel drive Intrepid, one of three current Chrysler products designed and built on the LH platform (New Yorker will be the fourth), is clearly a driveroriented car. Lower sight lines



1993 Dodge Intrepid

provided by the sleek hood line, or the "cab forward" concellent road visibility and left better handling through concellent road visibility and left better handling throad visibility and left better handling through concellent road visibility and left better handling through the left better h

also allows more fore and aft leg room and bigger, wider doors. Three adults can comfortably fit in the rear and even with the optional built-in child's seat there's still plenty of room for two.

Driver seat controls, gauges and gear selectors are geared toward the person behind the wheel. A standard four-speaker AM/FM stereo is available with the optional 120-watt Chrysler sound system an added bonus.

Under the hood Intrepid boasts the optional 3.5L, 24valve V-6 producing some 214 horsepower, giving the vehicle the high-performance feel of a European sedan at half the cost. A smaller 3.3L also is

available. Mileage ranges from 18 city to about 26 highway. Both engines feature sequential multiport fuel injection and a distributorless ignition system for fewer starting has-

Smoother shifting is handled by the automatic overdrive transmission which uses electronic controls to shift through all four gears.

Excellent road grip is further provided for with antilock brakes (ABS), electronic low-speed traction controls and the standard rack- andpinion steering.

"Intrepid is an absolutely wonderful car and we only see the brightest future in terms of

Pontiac promises performance plus affordability

By CRAIG GARRETT ANP Staff Writer

Sales figures at Pontiac, when tallied, are projected to top 200,000 units during the 1992 model year. Not bad considering the division sold less than half that number just seven years ago.

"What Pontiac is telling us about increased 1993 sales predictions we really appreciate," said Jim Clark, sales manager of Bob Jeanotte Pontiac in Plymouth. "We have the looks that turn people on and the true value. It's just an excellent car and van line."

Continuing strong in 1993, Clark said, is the Grand Am Coupe and Sedan models, the second best selling GM vehicle. Powered by either the Quad 4 H.O. or the 3.3L V-6 coupled with the five-speed manual, Grand Am offers performance plus appealing style. Also noise and vibration

reductions have been engineered through modifications to the engine block; revisions to the induction, mounting and exhaust systems and the addition of acoustical material.

Grand Am also offers standard ABS and a host of additional safety features, plus base models starting in the \$13,000 neighborhood, several thousand less than the closest competitors.

The 1993 Bonneville continues to impression buyers and sellers alike.

"Bonneville allows baby boomers," Clark said, "the advantage of a full-sized car with styling and power. It will compete with anything in the market today, American, European or Japanese."

The growing Bonneville share of the large passenger market (15 percent) is directly related to the driver-oriented. sports sedan feel. The SLE features monotone body side applique and rocker moldings, an SLE specific grille, rear deck spolier, rear window defrogger, 16-inch aluminum wheels, plus single side dual exhaust outlets.

Under the hood sits the optional supercharged 3.8L V-6 series engine delivering some 205 horsepower and a gut wrenching 260 pound-foot of

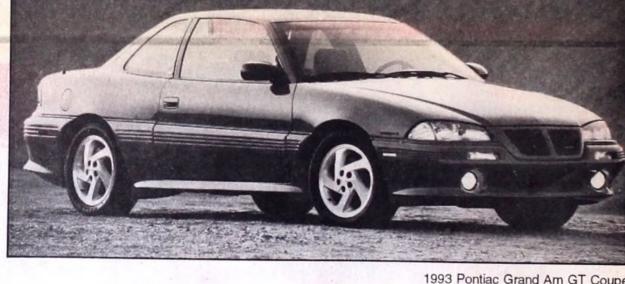
out the interior.

combines a cockpit with room

Interior refinements include bucket seats with standard leather on SSEi and available on SSE; a high-gloss Burl woodgrain instrument panel trim plate, plus upgraded floor carpeting round

The rumor of its demise being greatly exaggerated, Grand Prix returns this year with a 1992 sticker price and a more formidable package of power

The SE Coupe B4U package



1993 Pontiac Grand Am GT Coupe

for five adults and the heady performance of the available 3.4L V-6. Coupled with the fivespeed manual transmission, Grand Prix 1993 gives many old feelings back with some 210 horsepower. Also included

on B4U is the Grand Prix spe- dard cific front and rear-end, lower gold, white or silver cross- Mans, the lowest priced Ponlaced wheels. ABS also is stan-tiac with "character."

Pontiac also proudly feaskirting, wheel flares, split tures the Sunbird line this dual exhaust, fat 16-inch Good- year, as well as Transport, the year Eagle GT tires and the truly unique minivan, and Le-

A step back in time

Auto industry is rife with little known facts of doubtful value

By CRAIG GARRETT ANP Staff Writer

 In the early morning hours of June 4, 1896, Henry Ford rode his first little twocylinder buckboard vehicle down Grand River Avenue from his Detroit home on Bagley Avenue. The quadricycle was constructed of an angle-iron frame and wood body and weighed approximately 500 pounds. The engine was hand made and generated 3-4 horsepower at 800 rpm. The throttle was a push/pull wire persuading the car to a top speed of 18 mph and three gallons of gasoline got an impressive 34 mpg. The transmission was a two-speed, driven by a leather belt (smooth side down) and actuated by a hand lever. The vehicle was the forerunner of the first Model A introduced by the Ford Motor Co. in 1903.

· The Cynophere, a threewheeled contraption patented by a Parisian, M. Huret on Dec. 14, 1875, was powered by a dog within each side of two large black wheels. Cynophere literature said "so light is the draft that it is no more exertion for the dogs to run upon the treadway of the wheel, than it is for

them to go at the same speed at

their own pleasure." The French Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals unanimously endorsed the Huret system.

· German inventor Joseph Vollmer introduced the "missing link vehicle" to the world in 1899. The Kuhlstein-Vollmer Motor Vorspann was a two-wheel, gasoline powered device which could be coupled to the front of horse carriages and stage coaches. The detachable vehicle was used extensively by the German postal

· In 1649 astonished residents of Nuremberg, Germany watched as Johann Hantsch passed through town in a horseless carriage run by a clock-work mechanism. The three-wheeler reportedly attained a speed of "three leagues an hour." Hantsch later sold the vehicle to Prince Charles Augustus of Sweden for a paltry 300 thalers.

· Sir Isaac Newton developed a carriage propelled by a steam boiler in 1680. Although Newton's vehicle didn't achieve much success, it was reportedly the apple of the great inventor's eye.

· French Army officer Nicholas Joseph Cugnot developed a steam-powered vehicle in 1765 to transport cannon. The device topped four kilometers per hour, but made frequent water and maintenance stops. The idea for the steam locomotive, patented by American James Watt, evolved from Cugnot's invention.

· The Fostoria Light Car Co. of Fostoria, Ohio, raised the price of the 1917 model year touring car to \$735 in July 1916. Fostoria also increased prices of the open body delivery wagon to \$695 and the closedbody wagon to \$715. Company officials said increases were due to roomier front and rear seats and the addition of a natural wood cowl dash "upon which are located all of the instruments."

· The Ross Automobile Co. of Detroit introduced a revised touring car in 1917. With a large 130-inch wheelbase, the seven-passenger Ross was equipped with an eightcylinder, 33-horsepower Herschell-Spillman motor, a Borg and Beck clutch, semielliptic springs, a rearmounted gas tank with Stewart feed and a Zenith carburetor. The 1917 Ross was priced to move at \$1,350.

 Klaxon automobile horns were standard equipment in forward trenches of Allied

forces during WWI. Volunteers, often just a few feet away from enemy outposts, sounded the distinctive Klaxon to warn of impending gas attacks. The sound came clearly through the roar of battle and gave friendly soldiers time to throw on a gas mask.

· More than 90 percent of registration and license fees paid by U.S. drivers in 1915, or \$16 million, was spent on the building and maintenance of county and state roads. Some 2.4 million motor vehicles were registered that year, an increase of 734,000 from 1914. Only 48,000 cars were registered in the U.S. in 1906.

· The Grout Bros. Automobile Co. of Orange, Mass., established in 1896, announced the new steampowered Grout in 1904. Utilizing the Grout fuel system and a 16-inch boiler, the 7-horsepower, two-seat Grout averaged 40 miles on a single water filling. All parts on the \$650 vehicle were "hung on steel plates."

· It was announced in 1904 that the Brennan Motor Co. of Syracuse, N.Y. had leased a new factory site at the corner of Water and Grape streets, covering 6,000 square feet of floor space. The added facili-

ties, it was said, would allow Brennan Motor "to keep pace with the ever increasing demand for (Brennan) motors and transmissions.'

• By July 1916, 13 years after was founded for the third time, the Ford Motor Co. had 28 manufacturing sites and 51 sales and service branches. Fiscal year 1915 saw Ford market over 500,000 units, the most in the United States. Worldwide sales of 1 million vehicles were expected for fiscal 1916.

 The 1904 Stearns Motor Car, manufactured in Cleveland, Ohio, which "runs like a deer," came equipped with a "new type of atomizer which adjusts itself to every condition of load and speed of the engine and insures noiselessness." The large 24horsepower Stearns Touring

car was priced at \$3,000. The New York-based Buckeye Rubber Co. announced plans in 1908 to add a tiremanufacturing plant to the many already established in Akron, Ohio. The three-story Buckeye facility was designed for the "special output of pneumatic tires." Buckeye gained a tire manufacturing reputation with the Kelly-Springfield solid buggy tire line. Other Akron based tire firms in 1908 included: Goodyear, Goodrich, Firestone, Diamond, Swinehart and Motz. making Akron the chief tire city of the world.

· Windshield wipers, invented in 1917 and standard vehicle equipment by 1922, underwent a series of blade types until the squeegee blade was adopted during the 1940s. The scraper, trowel, balloon and rider wipers were experimented with until the curvedglass squeegee was perfected on airplane windshields during WWII.

 James Ward Packard and William Doud formed the Packard Motor Car Co. in Ohio on Oct. 13, 1902. The pair originally owned the New York and Ohio Co. out of Warren, Ohio. That firm manufactured incandescent lamps and transformers. Packard was moved to Detroit in October 1903.

 The Pierce-Arrow Co., founded in Buffalo, N.Y. in 1865, originally manufactured bird cages. The firm later built and sold bicycles and a steam-

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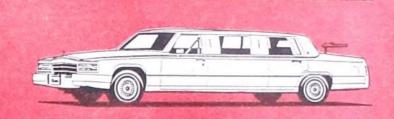




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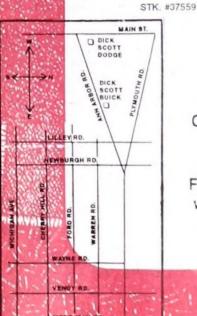
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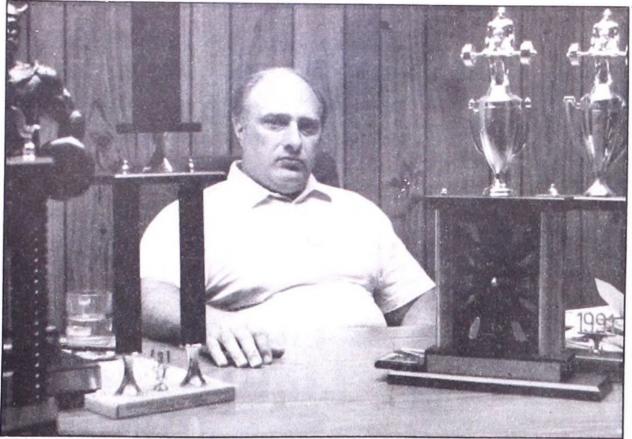


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Batten

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components and equipment on their vehicles. As racers racked up titles and trophies, other race car drivers began knocking on Batten's door to order similar equipment for their racing vehicles.

"I did race work exclusively until 1975. Some techniques that I used cut time in making prototypes and led us into prototype work for the auto companies," said Batten whose firm designed racing heads for General Motors in 1976 and designed the first GM engine in

When he is not designing powerful engines, Batten uses weightlifting as a change of pace. He expects 1993 to also be an outstanding year for his weightlifting competitions.

"Because I'll turn 50 this year, I'll be in another age classification, and I plan to enter into more competition," Batten said. "Last year, I had to skip some of the events that I wanted to compete in because I was very busy in my business and I was unable to

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take time off."

Batten has been an athlete all of his life, wrestling and lifting weights in his teens. As an adult, Batten did a lot of running, but had to give it up because of knee and ankle problems which developed.

"Weightlifting also fits in with my family schedule. I can spend time with my children in the evenings before I begin my workouts at 9 p.m.," Batten

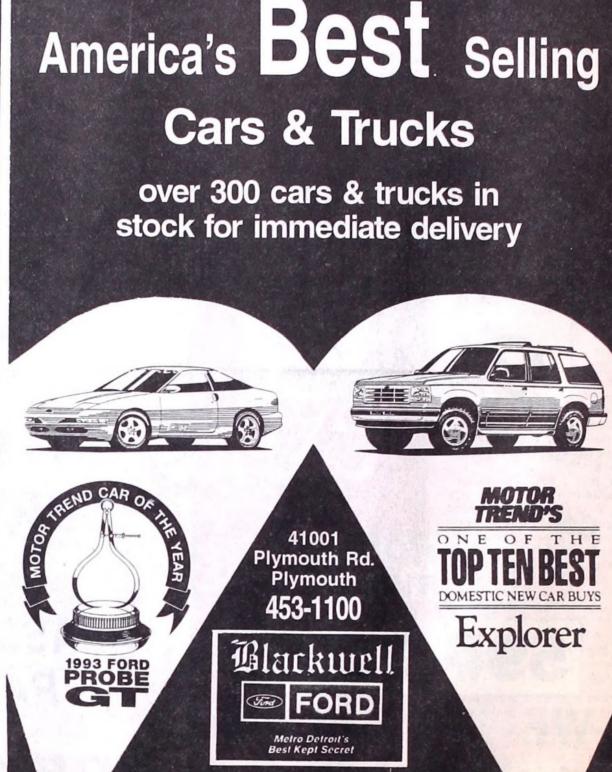
At the age of 47, Batten won the bench-press weightlifting championship over 38 competitors with a lift of 455 pounds, and earned the Outstanding Heavyweight Lifter award at the event.

Batten had intended to compete in the 242-pound category, but because he weighed in slightly above the limit, he was placed in the 275-pound category. Giving nearly 30 pounds of body weight to his competitors, Batten bench-pressed 55 ponds more weight than his nearest competitor to take three titles - the Masters, the 275-pound and the Outstanding Lifter awards.

In the past two years, Batten has won the American Power Lifting Association national championship and has set numerous records in the World Drug-Free Powerlifting competitions.

When Batten says that he cannot name the number of world weightlifting records that he has broken, he is not being modest. The Romulus businessman has broken at least a dozen record, in some instances breaking his own previously held records in his age and weight categories.

His efforts in competitions this year are expected to bring more honors to Batten in his year - 1993.







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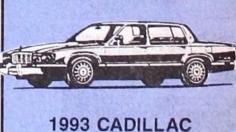
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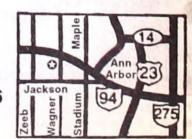
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Concept car is 'Best of What's New'

What's New?

The experts of Popular Science magazine have a few good answers to that age-old question. Every year, they pick the products considered "Best of What's New.'

For 1992, the Ultralite concept car from General Motors (GM) received a Grand Award as the best in the Auto Technology category, while GM's other entries took four more awards, more than did any other manufacturer, according to Arvin F. Mueller, GM vice president and general manager of engineering and design operations.

"This recognition by Popular Science is a tribute to the technical strength of GM and

its people," Mueller said. The award-winning technol-

ogies include:

• GM Ultralite-This working prototype of high-mileage, four-door passenger car debuted during 1992. While not intended for actual production, it's an engineering test bed to explore advanced materials and efficient systems.

At just 1,400 pounds, the Ultralite can achieve 100 mpg at a 50 mph cruising speed powered by an experimental 173-pound three-cylinder, twostroke engine. Its experimental high-strength, lightweight carbon fiber body is similar to material used in the most advanced jet fighters.

The Ultralite was a joint project of the GM design staff and engineering staff and was completed in approximately 100 days.

Other GM new accomplishments for the year include:

· Cadillac Northstar Engine-The transverse-mounted, 32valve, 4.6- liter Northstar V8 engine, first introduced on the 1993 Cadillac Allante, is the most powerful front-wheeldrive engine and reinforces Cadillac's pre-eminent position in luxury car technology.

The Northstar engine, a joint Cadillac and GM powertrain effort, develops 295 horsepower. The engine propels the car from 0 to 60 mph in under seven seconds.

In addition to the Allante, the Northstar V8 is standard for 1993 in the Eldorado Touring Coupe and the Seville Touring Sedan.

· Cadillac Road-Sensing Suspension-Standard on the 1993 Allante, Eldorado Touring and Sport Coupes and the Seville Touring Sedan, Cad-



The Chevrolet Corvette will celebrate 40 years of production with an special appearance package. The distinctive option includes an exclusive "ruby red" interior, colorkeyed wheel center, headrest embroidery and bright emblems on the hood, deck and side-gills.





The 1993 Chevrolet Blazer, top, and Suburban, bottom, offer new smooth-shifting Hydra-matic 4L60 E electronic 4-speed automatic transmission. Both vehicles feature tilt steering column improvements designed to reduce theft.



The 1993 GEO Tracker is expected to continue to be a popular

illac Road Sensing suspension system provides the seemingly conflicting virtues of smooth, comfortable ride and taut, stable handling over the widest possible range of operating conditions and compromises.

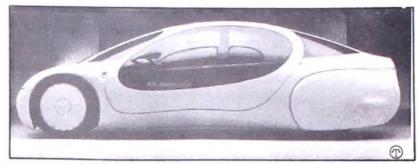
The breakthrough technology of this system challenges active suspension systems in performance with a lighter,

more efficient and much lower-cost package without giving up the comfort demanded by most Cadillac customers.

· Oldsmobile Silhouette Power Sliding Door-Opening and closing at the touch of a button, is a new-for-93' innovation on the Oldsmobile

Switches are at two convenient locations-on the overhead console for the driver and front-seat passenger and on the B-pillar for middle-row passengers.

In addition, both the inside and outside side door handles and the keyless entry fob also activate the power-door function.



This 100 mpg Ultralite concept vehicle won the Grand Award and G.M. took five of the 11 awards given in the Automotive Technology category of the Popular Science magazine Best of What's New program--more than any other manufacturer.

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Dealers predict new success

By AL POST ANP Staff Writer

Oldsmobile will display a prototype of a 1995 sophisticated personal luxury car -the Aurora -- at the North American International Auto Show this year.

Car buyers will be warned not to confuse the Aurora with the Aurora concept car from Cadillac three years ago

The Olds Aurora will feature a V-8 engine (complete with 4.0 liter and 32-valve, dual overhead cam) that will produce 250 horsepower. The Aurora will become the Oldsmobile flagship model.

This new engine, used exclusively by Oldsmobile, represents a return to V-8 power for the division which includes a heritage dating back to the Oldsmobile Rocket engines of the 1950s and 60s.

Sid Charnock of Charnock Oldsmobile Inc in Dearborn is excited about the Aurora unveiling this week and is sure that it will be one of the Oldsmobile features that will revive the American car sales market.

Charnock, whose car display offices are located at 24555 Michigan Ave., is convinced that the Oldsmobile customer caring philosophy since 1949 will continue to aid in that growth.

Charnock has been at its present Dearborn location since 1964.

Also slated to be featured at the auto show opening Saturday will be the top quality Cutlass Ciera that will feature a driver's side airbag as standard equipment on the level SL sedan and wagon and as an option on S models.

Cutlass Ciera's ride and handling has been vastly improved with new variable rate springs and increased front caster systems.

Charnock said the special Ciera prices of \$13,995 and \$14,995 (depending on the packages involved) place the stylish models in most resident's price range.

Meanwhile Bill Rowan of Rowan Oldsmobile in Southgate feels the entire Oldsmobile line this year should attract the car buying public.

"December has already been better than November 1992," Rowan said, "and we feel that the area could be one of the first to bounce back from the recent recession."

Rowan, whose company showrooms have been at their current location at 15800 Eureka Road in Southgate since 1972, said the success of car sales growth will be tied in with interest rates.

Meanwhile the 1993 Cutlass Supreme will offer mid-size customers three distinct body styles -- a coupe, sedan and convertible, as well as three trim levels, two responsive V-6 engines and two automatic transmissions.

The 200-horsepower 3.4liter twin dual cam V-6 engines with electronically-controlled four-speed automatic transmissions are now available in convertibles and continues as the standard powertrain in the top level Supreme International Series and as an option on other Supreme models.

Another safety and convenience feature is the automatic power door locks that spring into action as soon as the driver shifts out of park or neutral.

There is also a 16-inch aluminum wheel standard on the International Series and is included with the convertibles with the 3.4-liter engine option package.

The Oldsmobile flagship model, the Ninety Eight, continues to offer three special models, the Regency, Regency Elite and Touring Sedan.

For safety-minding families, the Ninety Eight also offers body shells constructed with effective crush space and robust side-impact protection, driver's side air bag, anti-lock brakes, power door locks and child security locks for the rear doors.

The Bravada, the Oldsmobile sport utility vehicle introduced in 1991, has added an electronic automatic fourspeed overdrive transmission

for 1993. Inside the Bravada also has added a driver's seat with a six-way power adjuster and power lumbar adjusters. Solar glass is also now standard equipment.

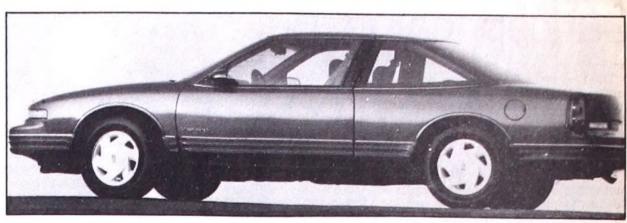
The 1993 compact Achieva enters the first full model year seeking to win new customers, while also satisfying long time Oldsmobile small- car buyers'

The Achievas are available in both two-door and four-door body styles. The more affordable S version offers a 115

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Probe named 'Car of the Year'

ANP Feature Editor

The 1993 Ford Probe was recently selected as the car of the year by Motor Trend magazine and local dealers can't say enough about the new design, enhanced interior and solid performance.

The Probe is expected to be one of the more popular vehicles at the 1993 North American International Auto Show Jan. 9-17 at Cobo Convention Center in Detroit, according to Kurt Atchinson, owner of Atchinson Ford Sales Inc., 9800 Belleville Road in Belleville.

"The Probe has a 'Cabforward' design which means there is more interior room without lessening the sporty look," Atchinson said. "It has a more contemporary design and a higher level of technical sophistication than its predecessor."

Overall length and width are increased, along with the wheelbase and tread. The 'Cab-forward' design essentially moves the passenger compartment closer to the front of the car, which results in shortened front overhang, increased windshield slope and greater interior space.

The sporty coupe is available in two models, Probe and Probe GT. Each has its own multi-valve engine and individual styling cues. Driverside air bag supplemental restraint system is standard on both.

Probe GT has a new twincam 24-valve V-6 with a cast aluminum block and cylinder heads. It generates 164 horsepower at 6,000 rpm and 156 foot-pounds of torque at 4,000

A five-speed manual transaxle is standard, and an electronically controlled fourspeed automatic transaxle is optional.

The standard Probe has a new 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine with twin overhead camshafts, four valves per cylinder and an aluminum head. It produces 115 horsepower at 5,500 torque at 3,500 rpm. It can be teamed with a five-speed manual transaxle or an optional four-speed automatic.

Both Probes are available in a variety of colors, according to Len Gossman, general new vehicle sales manager for Blackwell Ford Inc., 41001 Plymouth Road, Plymouth.

"We have a frost steel blue for 1993 and a calico bright green," Gossman said. "We almost had a yellow, but they canceled it. Both Probes are going to be a big hit this year I believe." The 1993 Probe has a more

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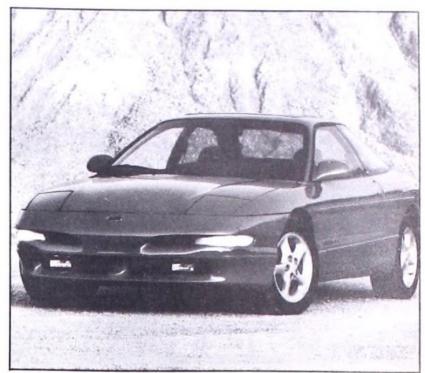
aggressive stance than the pre-

vious model, a result of in-

most four inches. The interior has been designed to complement the exterior. Its all-new instrument panel is integrated with the door panels for a sweeping wraparound effect. A new center console/armrest with storage area and cup holder is standard on the GT, optional on the standard model.

The list of upgraded Probe GT standard features includes a leather- wrapped steering wheel, adjustable power lumbar and seat-back side bolster front seats, fog lamps and a cargo net.

Among the new options are a remote-control keyless entry system, an anti-theft system, power sliding sunroof, and a state-of-the-art audio system with an integrated compact disc player, electronic AM/FM radio with premium sound and a separate optional graphic equalizer.



For 1993, the all-new Ford Probe has been engineered to provide superior performance and handling to math the bold new appearance. There are two series--Probe GT and Probe.

FORD

No. 1 Ford Ranger tops list Now! Get a for truck comfort

By MARGO DEWEY ANP Feature Editor

If you're looking for a 1993 vehicle which has compact truck toughness and versatility with contemporary styling and car-like comfort, then the Ford Ranger would be the best selection at the North American International Auto Show Jan. 9-17.

The Ford Ranger has been the compact pickup truck buyer's number one choice for the last six years. It has been completely restyled for 1993, according to Jim Demmer, vice president of Jack Demmer Ford Inc. in Wayne, 37300 Michigan Ave.

"It has an all new suspension system and revised styling," Demmer said. "It has a new hood, headlamps, grille, bumper and optional front valance panel.

"I drove a Ranger the other day with a customer and it had the big wheels on it. I couldn't believe how sturdy and comfortable the suspension is. It's like riding in a luxury car."

The hood is lower than it was on earlier Ranger models, and there are 4 inches more of overhang.

Contributing significantly to the aerodynamic appearance is a greater windshield angle than in earlier models, flush windshield and side- window glass and limousine-style doors which blend into the roof and have concealed drip

Complementing exterior styling are new cast-aluminum and stamped-steel wheels and tri-color tail lamps with large, highly visible lamps for added safety.

The new Ranger also has a wider stance, by as much as 3 inches on some models. Tread and sheet metal are wider, giving the truck a more stable appearance.

In response to customer XLT and ST models.

wishes, there is significant difference between the appearances of two-and four-wheel drive models. The 4 by 4 models have an even more aggressive look, in part due to a unique grille and optional front valance panel with round driving lamps, and wheel flares. For further differentiation, special wheels and larger tires are available.

New sheet metal and flush glass not only contribute to vehicle aerodynamics, they help make other functional advantages possible. The flush-mounted windshield and door glass help to reduce wind noise, as do the windshield molding and window sealants.

A redesigned power steering gear provides better "center feel" and greater "road feel" sensitivity than previous models. The new steering gear system features a patented torsion bar and control valve hardware to ensure a quick, controlled power assist when the driver makes the slightest movements from on-center.

The 1993 Rangers are available in a variety of colors including electric red, dark cranberry, dark plum, dark blue and opal grey. There is also a vibrant red that is exclusive to 4 by 4 models.

"Our customers see the unique striping design on the Ranger and sometimes they ask us if we put those on," Demmer said. "The striping is actually factory installed.

On the inside the 1993 Ranger is equally stylish and contemporary. New are the door trim panels, steering wheel, seat trim and sew styles, instrument panel appliques and headliner.

The 1993 Ranger is available in regular or SuperCab models with two-or four-wheel drive. Four trim lines are offered on the XL, XL Sport,

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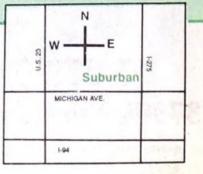
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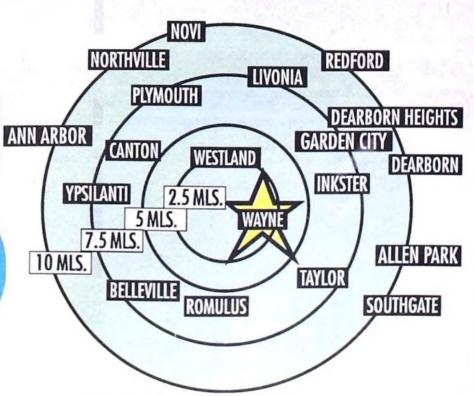
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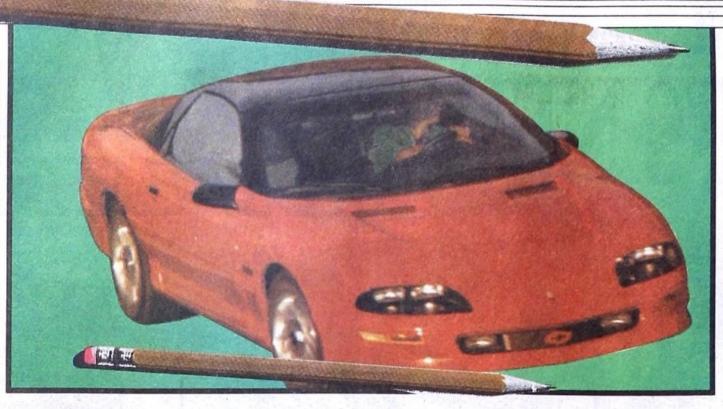
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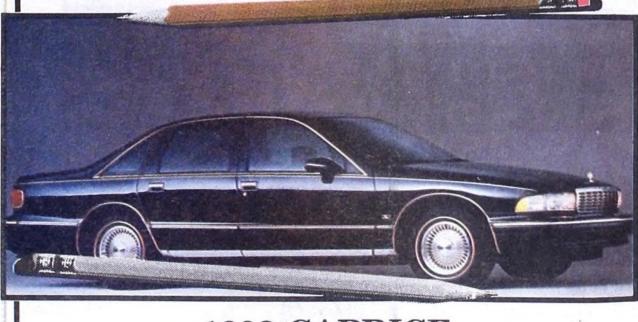
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